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**CHEUNG CHAU
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DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES
YESTERDAY.
NEW HEADMASTER.

The annual distribution of prizes of the Cheung Chau Government School took place yesterday in the school hall. Amongst those present were Mrs. A. C. Franklin, who gave away the prizes, Mr. A. O. Brown, Inspector of Schools, Mr. Mackenzie, Professor L. Forster and Mr. Cheung King-pak, the new Headmaster.

The report was read by the Headmaster, Mr. Hon Kau-sung, and stated that the health of the pupils during the year had been very good; but attendance had been less satisfactory. Welcoming the gathering the Headmaster said:

"To-day marks the ending of the school year of 1931, when boys have completed this year's course with greater or smaller success and also the occasion when I and Mr. Lai Shiu-wo have finished our duties as Headmaster and Vernacular teacher respectively, since January 1, 1927. We feel it a great pleasure that so many of you have been so kind as to honour us by your presence at this function. In extending to you all a vote of hearty thanks and welcome I, on behalf of the staff and boys, wish especially to greet Mr. Cheung King-pak, our new Headmaster and my successor to the school. Mr. Cheung has spent several years in the University of Hong-kong, and I am sure our boys will be very glad to have him with you here. I express my sincerest hope that Mr. Cheung will find it very pleasant to stay here, and be very successful in his career. In such a moment as this, one's mind is generally filled with a feeling of complexity that makes it hard to say what one really wants to say, but above all, I should, before I go, seize this opportunity to thank the Head of this Department and the Inspector of Schools for their genial and sympathetic assistance and proper guidance; my faithful staff for their loyal co-operation and the Kaitongs and friends for their kind support in making my five years' work here a success. We hope that Mr. Lai will enjoy the chance to Yau-mai School and be very successful in his new work."

The Prize Presentation.
After Mrs. Franklin had distributed the prizes, Mr. A. O. Brown, Inspector of Schools, thanked Mrs. Franklin on his own behalf and on behalf of the Government for having so kindly consented to perform this function. He congratulated the school on its annual report, and was especially pleased to note that the health had been so good. That there was not one single case of malaria was a very good sign. He was also very pleased to see that the boys were taking a greater interest in games. There was only one feature in the

report that was a source of vexation and that was the attendance, which was not so good as it should have been. If pupils did not take every advantage of the school which the Government had provided they were like people who threw away treasure which could never be recovered. Mr. Brown then introduced the new Headmaster, Mr. Cheung King-pak, B.A., who assumed control on January 1 next.

The speaker concluded by expressing the hope that the school would continue to expand and flourish under Mr. Cheung. Prof. L. Forster spoke, briefly, asking for the co-operation of the pupils, staff and Kaitongs with Mr. Cheung King-pak, the new Headmaster. He pointed out that the school was the greatest social asset that the island possessed. The proceedings concluded with the presentation of a bouquet to Mrs. Franklin by one of the pupils who made a neat speech in English.

Three cheers were called for and heartily given to Mrs. Franklin, the visitors, the retiring Headmaster, Mr. Hon. and the staff. **The Annual Report.**
The annual report was as follows: The maximum enrolment in the year is 70 and the average daily attendance is 59.1 as against 81 and 58.95 in 1930. From this it may be seen that we have 11 boys less than last year. This decrease is chiefly due to the fact that there are no other English Schools in the island that can form our feeders for Class 7, and that we cannot admit more than 30 boys into Class 8 which consists of only one division in the year. But it is a fact that for over twenty years the maximum enrolment of this school every year is only between ten and the population of the island is so small and most of the people are too poor to send their children to school.

The average daily attendance is not so satisfactory as expected. Most boys have frequently been kept away from school for the most trivial reasons. Besides, it has been the habit of most parents to wait and send their sons to school after the Chinese New Year Holidays instead of urging them to come at the re-opening of the school on January 2. This means that the average daily attendance is very low and practically about one month's schooling has been wasted. It is a great detriment to the success of a pupil and many evils will readily arise out of it, unless home education is brought close with that of the school. It is earnestly hoped that parents will realize this and pay more attention to the education of their children, so that they may turn out to be the best youths of the time that the world is most in need of.

The staff remains the same as last year. All masters have rendered satisfactory service throughout the year, and I should like to thank them now for their loyal support and kind co-operation. Our fees are 50 cents for each pupil per month with the broken month of August for summer holidays. It may be admitted that the fees in such a well furnished school are the cheapest in the Colony as things are so expensive now-a-days, and the people of Cheung Chau are to be congratulated on their being so fortunate as to have ample opportunities for the education of their children. The building of the school is always clean and in good order. The classroom windows, which when opening on to the verandah at the height of masters' or boys' heads have been productive of several accidents, are now repaired. The fence round the

school which fell down some time ago through the erosion of white ants into the earth is also now under repair.

Good Discipline.
The discipline of the school continues to be very good and satisfactory. The school tone is very popular among the people here. Indeed, our boys are always polite and obedient. The influences of the streets have steadily been checked and boys do not use so much a language as before.

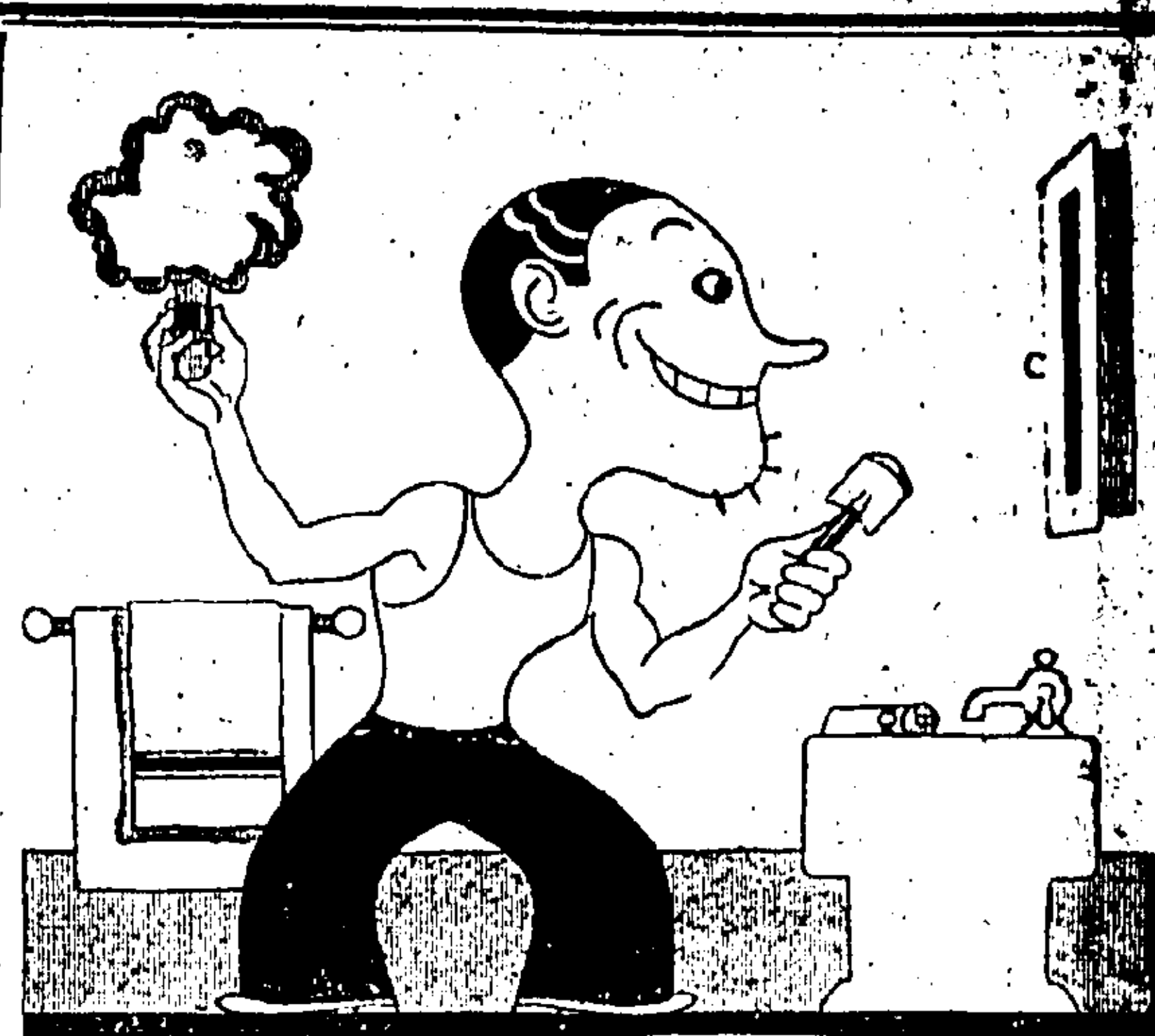
The organization of the Classes consists of classes 5, 6, 7 and 8 with only one division in each. Owing to lack of sufficient staff and the necessities of the classes we are obliged to combine classes 5 and 6 into one under one master. In vernacular classes we have to do the same, as there is only one vernacular master in the school and there are four classes. This has proved to be unsatisfactory but under the circumstances it cannot be well avoided.

The health of the school has been very good throughout the year. There is no evidence of malaria fever and no cases of ill-health have been reported. The Medical officers, Mr. (Mrs.) E. M. Minett and Dr. D. Laing paid a visit to the school on July 3rd on their annual inspection. They inspected all the most applicants and some of the elder boys and only a few cases of defective vision were found. These were recommended to Messrs. Lazarus for eye-glasses accordingly. The Medical Officers also paid another visit to the school on November 19th to re-inspect those boys whom they found to have defective vision. They were pleased to see the school premises clean and in good condition.

Distinguished Visitors.
During the year we have been visited by several distinguished guests including our Governor Sir William and Lady Peel, the District Officer South, Mr. J. S. MacLaren, Mr. A. C. Franklin and the Heads of Kaitongs. They came on July 18th, when the school just closed for Summer Holidays, so they could not see the pupils. But Mr. MacLaren expressed his deep appreciation of the school being so nice looking and in good order. Mr. J. Ralston, the Inspector of English Schools, came to inspect the school on 19.11.31. He inspected the exercise books of every class, and found them very neat and tidy. He also heard the boys read and any other recitation with much satisfaction. He wrote in the school Log Book that "I visited the school to-day, and was very much pleased with the work I saw going on. Copy books are generally neat and tidy."

Success of Students.
The year's work proves to be very successful. At the Annual Examination out of 50 boys who sat, 40 or 80 per cent passed in English, and 49 or 98 per cent passed in Chinese. Both English and Chinese are very good. Composition is better than last year. Reading and Colloquial have slightly been improved. Arithmetic and Dictation are only fair. Generally speaking boys in the village are not so intelligent as those in towns, and with much results we now have with us here, we are quite satisfied. The Students Library has been well managed by the pupils themselves, but owing to lack of funds, not very many volumes have been added. With the approval of the Inspector of English Schools, new members have to pay 50 cts. each on admission for Library fund from 1931, for the amount collected is so small that only the annual subscription for some 6 magazines is possible. We are looking forward to the generous public for their kind support.

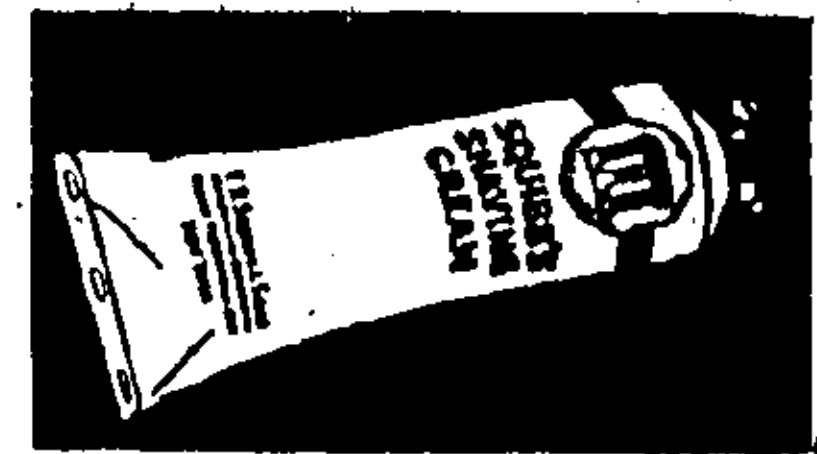
In order to improve English speaking, Mr. P. E. Barker has kindly presented the school with an old gramophone, together with \$5 for repair. (Continued on Page 11.)



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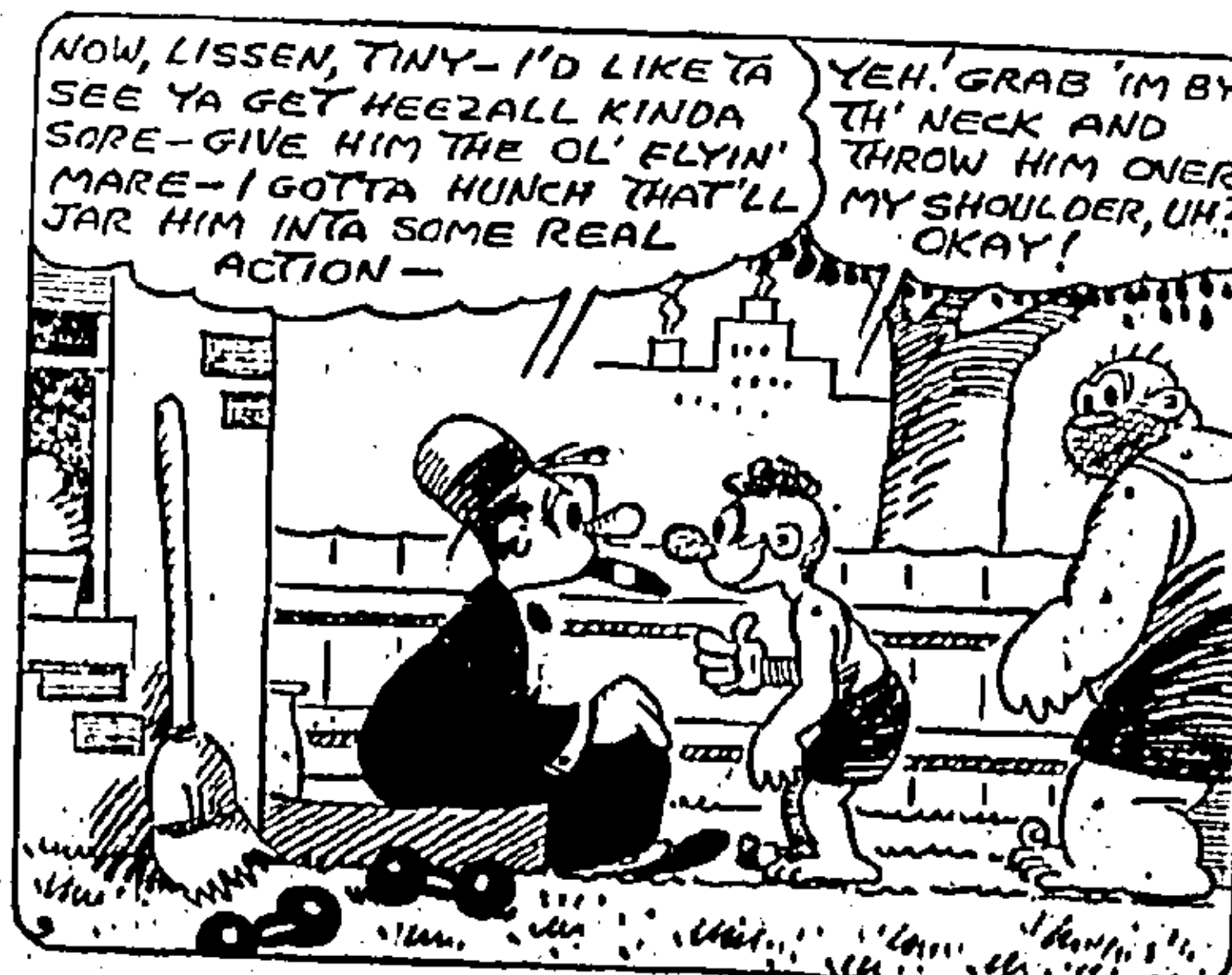
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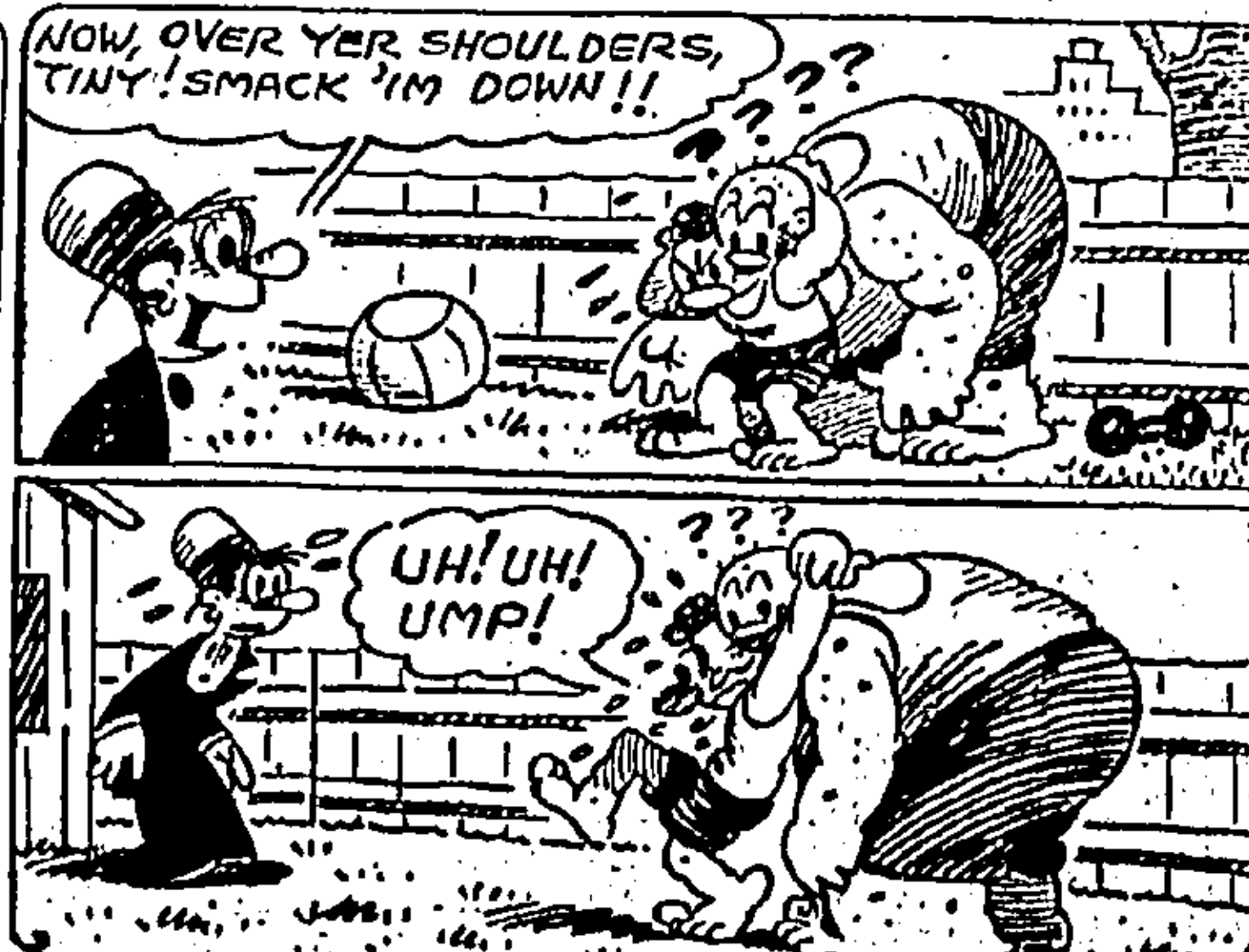
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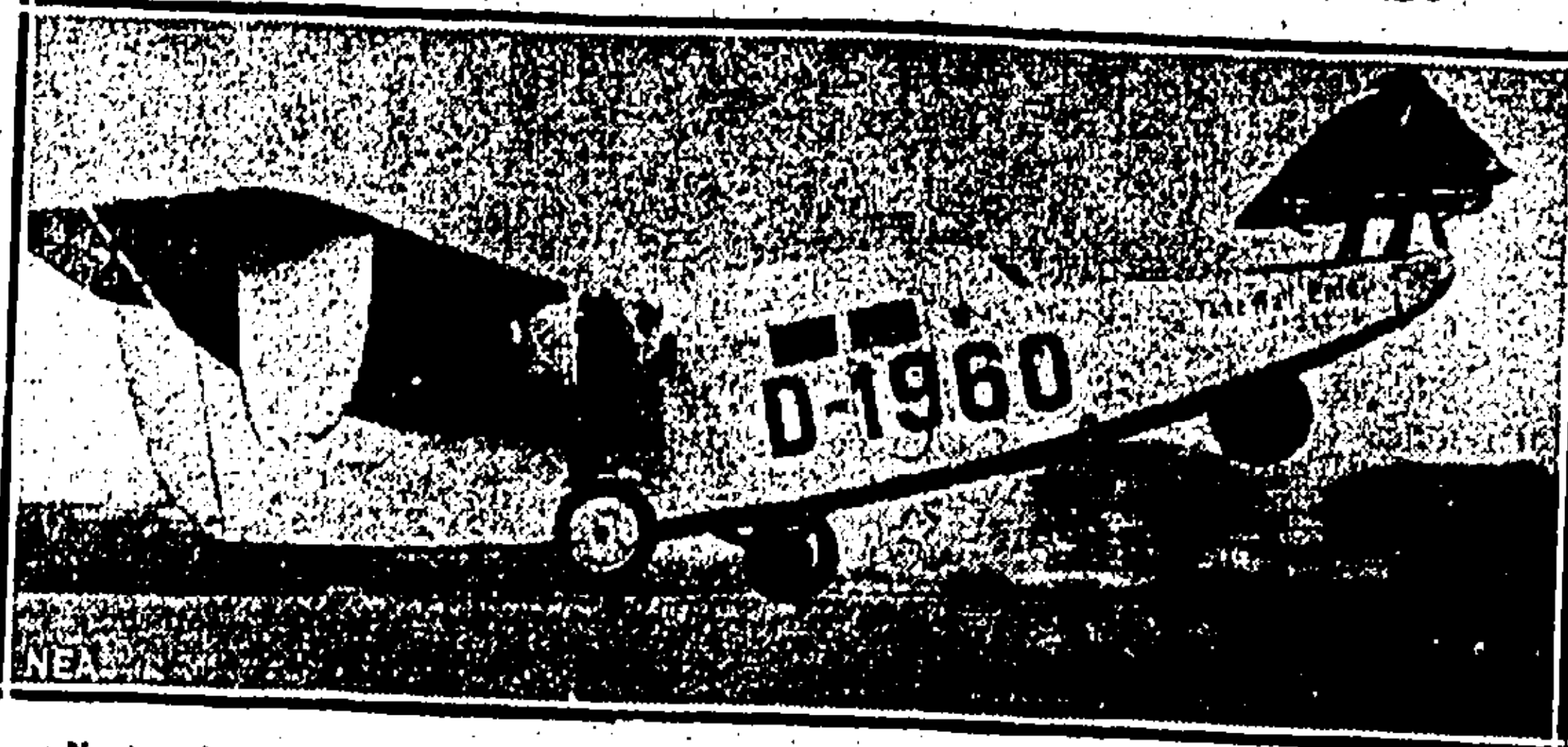
PRINCE AND PRINCE OF CLOWNS: TWO TAIL-FIRST AEROPLANES.



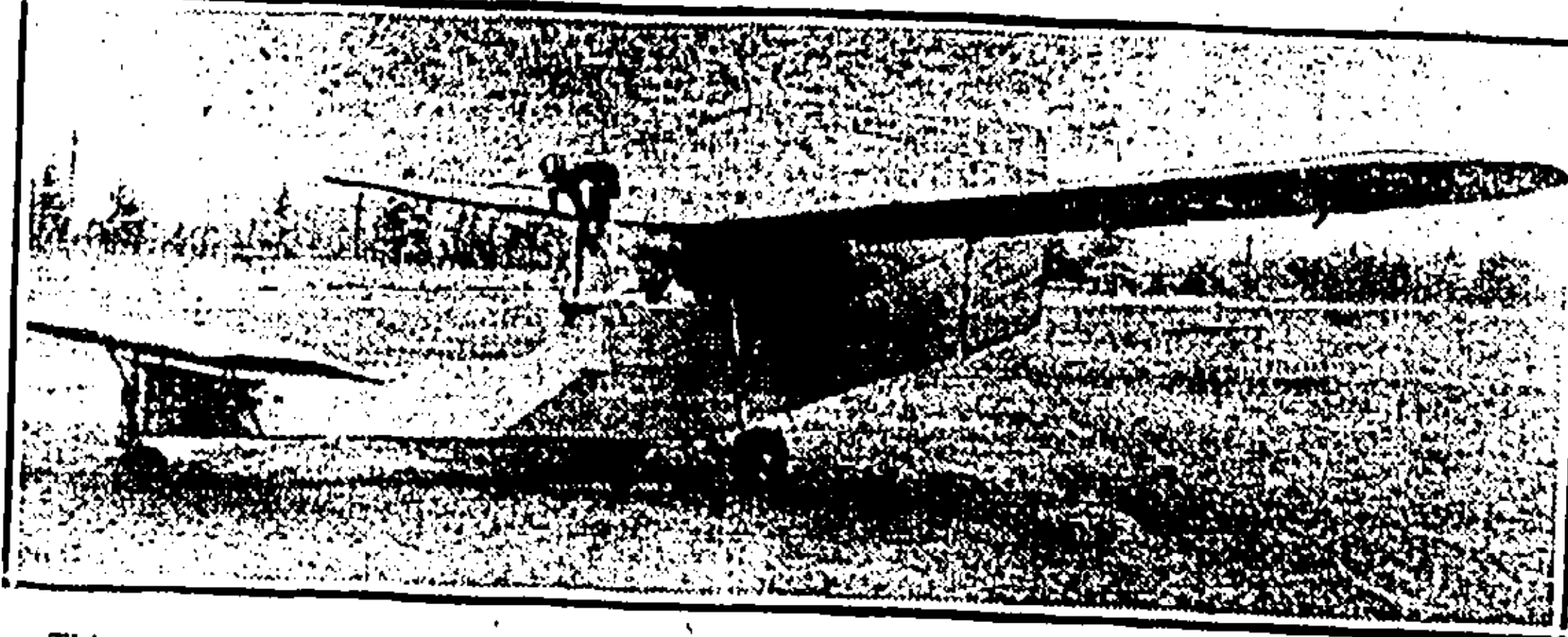
Charlie Chaplin, the famed film comedian is shown at dinner recently with the Prince of Wales at Grosvenor House, Park Lane. It is reported that Chaplin will star in a serious stage drama, of his own authorship, based on the theory that Napoleon escaped from St. Helena.



Germany's curtailed military forces have turned to work of peace. This picture shows trimly uniformed soldiers from the garrison at Munich distributing soup from field kitchens to unemployed and destitute residents of the city.



No wonder English crowds gaped when the plane took off "backwards." Designed so that it will not stall nor spin while in flight, the wings of the craft are in the rear and the "tail" is in front. This is how it looked hopping off from Hanworth Airfield in Middlesex.



This strange looking craft, which also flies tail first, may be a model for planes of the future. It was built in a week by the Grassie brothers of Springfield, Mass., and made its successful sky debut in a heavy wind. The designers claim that the experimental ship is unusually steady in flight and cannot be put into a spin.



Don Moye, the aviator who flew from Japan to the United States, is shown above studying maps in his cell at Los Angeles county jail when serving a 30-day sentence on a traffic charge. Moye is making plans for another flight.



A 700-mile an-hour flight ten miles above the earth! A swift voyage through the stratosphere is planned for this newly built monoplane, shown here at a field near Berlin. Note the chambers which will supply oxygen for the plane's engines in the rare upper atmosphere, and the hermetically sealed cabin for the pilots. The plane has a wing span of 52 feet and a crude oil motor.

Gems of Peril

HAZEL ROSS HALEY

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

Rich Mrs. Jetter is called and murdered during the engagement party she gives her secretary, Mary. Mary's strange escape from the murder scene has been in the house at the murder scene, and she disappeared, the thief failed to get the famous Jetter rubies.

Eddie is run down and killed as he goes to meet Mary. Inspector Kane drops the case, believing Eddie's murderer, Mr. Jupiter and Dirk believe the same. Bowser of the Star discovers a treasure chest and crink called The Fly is whom Eddie owed money. Bowser gives Mary a bottle of the Jetter house the night of the murder. It is her brother's. The butler recognizes it as having been worn by a "peace-maker" he elected that night. Dirk forbids Mary to go on with the investigation because of the notoriety. They quarrel, make up and Mary promises to marry him at once. While shopping for her trousseau, Mary's taxi crashes into a building.

CHAPTER XVII

When Mary became conscious someone was shouting, "Bring some brandy for this lady!" and moving her arms about and slapping her hands. This, she later learned, was merely an attempt to discover whether or not she had broken any bones. At the moment, however, the indignity of her position—she was lying on a couple of chairs—brought her upright and awake more quickly than the burning liquor they were forcing down her throat.

She was in a restaurant, apparently. About her hovered anxious faces—a waiter, a fat man who turned out to be the proprietor, and a nice-looking policeman who kept saying "Just a little accident, you're all right. Take it easy!"

Well, she was taking it easy, she thought fretfully. Her head ached fiercely from the jar when the taxi crashed into the building but otherwise she was all right, and she wanted to go home.

She made this wish known to the policeman, who held her arm firmly as if he feared she might go faint and drop again.

"What happened?" she asked. "Truck going the wrong way on a one-way street," he told her. "You can't go out that way, lady." He moved between her and the door.

"Why can't I? What's out there?" "They're cleaning up the mess. The cab's all smashed and there's a lot of broken glass. Besides, there's probably a mob of people waiting to see the 'corpse'—Sny," he broke off, "you want to thank that driver, lady! He saved your life!"

"Oh, I will!" Mary exclaimed. "Where is he?" "They've taken him home. He's not badly hurt. I'll give you his name, if you want—"

"Please do. Oh, but—my package! Where are they?" The fat proprietor indicated a pile of boxes neatly stacked on a nearby table. They were crushed a little but not damaged. She thanked the man profusely. How careful and kind they had all been!

"I can't thank you enough!" she told him happily. "Those are my

wedding clothes!"

"Ah-ah! So!" He retreated as she tried to press a bill into his hand. "Nah, nah, give it to Tim, there—he has a big family!" The bill she pressed into the policeman's hand met no protest.

"Want to try it?" he indicated the front door. "I'll go first—"

"Oh, no! Not there some other way—"

"The policeman called 'Hey, Jack!' and the fat man hustled up again. He looked more than a little worried, as well he might be, for the sidewalk in front of his place was a morass of splintered wood and shattered glass. The place was one of the innumerable speakeasies housed in the basements of old brownstone fronts. And the proprietor was hardly convinced yet that what had happened was a mere traffic accident. Accidents in Mr. Jack Sny's life usually had a deeper significance. Fearing gang warfare as he did, it was no wonder he appeared far more nerve-racked by the occurrence than Mary, the victim, did.

"Come this way," he invited, and Mary and the stalwart officer followed him to a door at the rear of the long room. Here the fat man knocked, entered, spoke a few words, and then held the door open to admit the others. "O. K., come on through."

The room was a small private dining-room. Half a dozen men sat about a wine-spotted tablecloth smoking and drinking. A sudden silence, like paralysis, seized the group. As Mary and the officer appeared, one man, tall and foreign-looking—rose from his chair abruptly, then sank back again.

Mary smiled slightly and inclined her head in perfunctory recognition of what she took to be an act of politeness.

They passed through the room, out another door into a black hole of a hallway, and entered the back door of a drugstore opening on a side street. Here the officer deposited her packages into a taxi, and helped her in.

"I'll give you that driver's name," he said, taking out a pad and pencil.

"Do. And the other man's name, and the address of his restaurant," she added. "Perhaps I can take a party there for dinner sometime and pay him back that way."

"Don't worry about Jack," the policeman replied. "He don't want anything you could give him—unless it's a bullet-proof vest."

"Oh! Why?"

"The policeman had finished writing, and tore off the sheet and handed it to Mary without reply.

"I'll have to take your name and address as a witness," he said.

"Oh, keep me out of it!" Mary begged as she handed him her card.

"My—the man I'm going to marry would be furious!" This wasn't quite true but it was true enough. The policeman did not protest when the taxi-driver drove off rapidly.

She was not much delayed, and felt no worse for the misadventure except a heightening of the sense of excitement that had been thrilling through her veins all day.

A glance at the clock on her mantel showed nearly 6 o'clock, and Dirk would come before she could freshen up and change unless she hurried. Fatigue vanished magically as she dashed about. Lured by curiosity, the lumbering Della came in to help, and to her own surprise as much as the maid's. Mary seized her about the waist and waltzed about the room with her.

"Della, Della, I'm going to be married to-morrow! But you mustn't tell a soul!"

"—morra is it? Oh, Miss Mary! And does Mr. Jupiter know?"

"I don't know how to tell him, Della. I promised to stay, but—oh, if Mr. Bruce would only come!"

"Ah, that young spalpeen!" But the packages were a more potent attraction than the derelict Bruce—they forgot him in the joy of snapping string and burrowing into tissue paper. One simple little dress was all she was looking for, to wear this evening, but somehow it seemed necessary to open all the boxes.

One revealed a little black dinner dress that was a love, all cobwebby lace at the top with a skirt made of stiff ruffles of net. They both hugged it, held it off and caressed it with their eyes. Mary bought it for dining and dancing on shipboard, but she was tempted to wear it to-night. After all, could any night of her life be more important? Her last "date." There were embroidered slippers to match, and a white evening wrap. Mightn't they be going out to dance a little? Dirk hadn't said.

Della made her decision for her by whisking away the empty box.

"You think I should, Della?"

"Indeed, you should!" And that was that.

She had just taken a quick shower and given her hair a stiff brushing that made her whole body feel tingly and rested, and slipped the black dress over newly bought underthings of incredible softness, when the mind came in, quite breathless with chagrin.

"Oh, Miss Harkness, I didn't hear you come in!" A Mr. Bowen has been calling you repeatedly. He has some important information for you. He gave me his number and said he'd wait in until you called."

Mary took the card she proffered and went thoughtfully to the telephone.

Bowen's voice sounded very clipped and business-like over the wire—there was no sign of the "creeching" companion of yesterday's meeting. His serious tone impressed her as much as his words.

"Miss Harkness, the man we were speaking of is in New York. Not hiding, exactly, but—in retirement, and seems to have a good deal on his mind."

"Yes?"

"The talk is that he did both jobs. And underworld talk is usually pretty accurate. At least, I think this is. We can safely assume he is the man we are after. You understand, don't you? Rotten trying to talk over the telephone—"

"What—what shall we do?" Mary asked. She sat down suddenly, surprised to find herself shaking with excitement.

"What can we do, you mean," he corrected her. "God, I don't know. Several things. I don't want to mull this. Neither do you, I take it. Ordinarily I'd say take him in on the evidence we've got, and trust Kane to third-degree a confession out of him. But I'm afraid—"

"Tell you frankly, this bird has a rep for being slicker than an eel. He's been in a good many tight scrapes and wigged out, legally. He's got a record, but that was years ago. They haven't pinned anything on him lately."

"I don't know, but it seems to me

we ought to tie him up so tight he can't get away before we try to make a pinch. That's what I want to talk to you about. I've got a swell idea—look, is there somewhere I can see you?"

"Why, I—"

"How could she see him to-night? Yet it might be her only opportunity. To-morrow she would be married and gone."

"I'm just trying to think—I have an engagement to-night, but it may be quite late."

"I've got a night assignment or I'd come there. But I'd like to see you—something I want to talk over with you. Could you come in and have dinner with me some place?"

Mary thought rapidly. If Dirk was still at the office she could go in and meet Bowen and Dirk could call for her and bring her home. She would really see him much sooner that way. And so it was arranged.

"Then come to this address"—she wrote down the number he gave her. "I'll be there when you come."

Dirk had gone out to dinner, the bookkeeper said when she called his office, but would be back. Mary gave him the address of the restaurant.

Mr. Jupiter had not come in—Spence reported his master had stayed at the Yacht Club for dinner with some of his old cronies. He had Tom, but in deference to her new clothes she called one of the other chauffeurs and drove into town in state. She had lost faith in taxis.

Bowen stepped out of the shadow of a flight of stone steps to greet her. It was not until they had entered the place that Mary recognized it.

"Why, this is where I was this afternoon!" she exclaimed as they threaded their way between tables to one in the angle of the wall. Half a dozen persons, all men, were scattered about the room, eating, drinking.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, 28th December, 1931, to Thursday, 31st December, 1931, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1931.

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THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 4264 for ONE HUNDRED (100) SHARES numbered 6690/6739, 7869/7893 and 99190/99214, in the above Company and standing in the name of FRANCISCO XAVIER SOARES having been reported lost, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE is produced within ONE MONTH from the date hereof, it will thereafter be held by the Company as NULL AND VOID, and a NEW CERTIFICATE for the said shares will be issued.

By order of the Board

of Directors,

F. H. CRAPNELL,

Secretary.

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY (1918), LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

BY VIRTUE of the authority vested in them by Ordinary Resolution of the Company passed by Shareholders at an Extraordinary Meeting held on 1st December, 1931, the Directors of the Company have decided to offer to Shareholders Additional Shares in the proportion of one Additional Share of the nominal value of \$5 for every five Shares of which they are the registered holders on 9th January, 1932.

Such Additional Shares will be issued at par. The full nominal amount of \$5 per share will be payable on acceptance of the offer on or before 1st February, 1932, in the case of shareholders whose Registered Address is in the Colony of Hongkong. In the case of shareholders whose registered address is outside the Colony of Hong Kong, the date for payment will be 1st April, 1932.

The Transfer Books will be closed from 2nd January, 1932, to 9th January, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board

of Directors,

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1931.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1932, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898 with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Boundary Measurements	Area in Acres, Roods, and Poles	Approx. Area in Acres	Approx. Area in Acres
Lot 1	1000	1000	1000	1000
Lot 2	1000	1000	1000	1000
Lot 3	1000	1000	1000	1000
Lot 4	1000	1000	1000	1000
Lot 5	1000	1000	1000	1000
Lot 6	1000	1000	1000	1000
Lot 7	1000	1000	1000	1000
Lot 8	1000	1000	1000	1000
Lot 9	1000	1000	1000	1000
Lot 10	1000	1000	1000	1000

PEAK CLUB.

The Committee regret to announce that, under medical advice, they have decided to cancel the New Year Ball arranged for Thursday, 31st December, at the Peak Club.

NOTICE.

Come to the Kowloon Football Club New Year's Day Charity Festival at 11 a.m. Married versus Singles Football Match. Highland Dancing. Motor Cycle Football Match. Raffles.

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MACAU GRAYHOUND RACING CLUB.

NOTICE

A Draw for a Number of Greyhounds will be held at the Office of the Club, 19, Avenida Almada Ribeiro, Macau, at an early date.

These Greyhounds will be sold to members at \$300 each and are eligible for racing at the Club's "Green Island" Track, Macau.

Members wishing to participate are invited to send in their Names, accompanied with a deposit of \$300 in respect of each dog applied for, as soon as possible.

Names will be booked in the order as received.

Those wishing to participate in the above drawing and are non-members are cordially invited to apply for membership, also at the same address or at the office of the Company, Chung Tin Building, Hongkong.

THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child.

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

The Hon. Secretaries, H.K.S.P.C. c/o G.P.O. Box No. 513, Hongkong, or St. George's Building, Top floor. All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

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DIPHTHERIA MENACE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

minating the Christmas holidays, for "health reasons."

Instead of re-opening on Monday, January 4, they will be closed until the following Monday.

Dr. D. J. Valentine, Deputy Director of Medical Services, seen this morning, endorsed the view of the M. O. H. that the outbreak would be well in hand and on the wane by the end of the week.

Only in a few cases were the victims considered to be seriously affected, and in practically all instances the patients had responded to straightforward treatment.

Further Cancellations.

The social and the watchnight service arranged for Thursday evening at the Union Church have been cancelled, as also has the watchnight service which was to have been held at the Wesleyan Sailors' and Soldiers' Home for 11.30 p.m. on Thursday.

Another cancellation is the New Year's Rally which was to have been held at the Theatre Royal on Sunday, January 3rd. The Committee of the City Hall has been able, only this week, to intimate that owing to the necessity for extensive repairs to the City Hall, the Rally cannot be held in the Theatre. Arrangements are further complicated by the prevailing epidemic, and in view of the published advice to avoid crowds in confined spaces, the Committee responsible for the Rally has decided not to proceed with securing alternative accommodation.

It is greatly regretted that the Rally has consequently to be cancelled. The order of Service planned for the Rally will be broadcast in a modified form on Sunday evening, singing conducted by Mr. F. Mason, and an address on "Life's Purpose" by the Bishop of Victoria.

\$1,000,000 OUTLAY.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAYS' SCHEMES.

London, Dec. 29.

Increased employment will be offered by the expenditure of nearly £1,000,000 by the Great Western Railway in the new year on additional rolling stock.

A further £108,000 will be spent on station and other improvements, while the wooden viaduct at Ringwood on the Falmouth branch will be replaced by a permanent arch and embankment costing £85,000.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

THE GOLD STANDARD.

MAINTAINED BY SOUTH AMERICAN STATES.

New York, Dec. 29.

Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru will maintain the gold standard, as a result of a conference of the five South American control banks at Lima, declared Professor E.W. Kemmerer, the American financial expert, who has returned from South America.—*Reuter's American Service.*

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

We beg to announce that from to-day and until further notice, all Milk and Cream sold by us will be pasteurized and may be consumed as delivered to customers. This step has the full approval of the Medical Officer of Health.

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POST OFFICE NOTICE

NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

On Friday, the 1st January and Saturday the 2nd January, the General Post Office and Branch Post Offices will be open as follows:—

Friday Saturday
General Post Office 8 a.m. to noon 8 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.
Kowloon Post Office 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.
Other Branch Post Offices 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence each day at 9 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Due
Japan and Shanghai	Hyte Maru December 30.
Calcutta and Straits	Taina December 30.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Zuiderkerk December 31.
Shanghai and Swatow	Shantung December 31.
Calcutta and Straits	Sui Sang December 31.

From	Due
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers)	Chitral January 1.
London, 3rd December and Parcels	Rawalpindi January 1.
26th November	Per January 1.
Japan and Shanghai	Nellore January 2.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 11th December)	Tatsuma Maru January 2.
Australia and Manila	Pres. Hoover January 4.
Japan and Shanghai	Brisbane Maru January 4.
Japan and Shanghai	Sphinx January 6.
Singapore	Chenonceaux January 6.

From	Due
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 11th December)	Pres. Taft January 9.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 18th December)	Empress of Asia January 11.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. 19th December)	Pres. Jackson January 11.

For	Date and Time
Amoy	Taiyuan, Wed., Dec. 30, 3.30 p.m.
Fouchow	Kueichow, Wed., Dec. 30, 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming, Wed., Dec. 30, 4 p.m.
Saigon	Clara Jeben Thurs., Dec. 31, 4.30 p.m.
Dairen	Tonsan Maru, Wed., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
Saigon	Prominent, Wed., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Deli Maru Thurs., Dec. 31, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Lycemoon Thurs., Dec. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and "Europe via Siberia"	Rantan Pandjang, Thurs., Dec. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Heutsz Thurs., Dec. 31, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Canton Thurs., Dec. 31, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and "Europe via Siberia"	Titan, Wed., Dec. 31, 2.30 p.m.
	Registration, Dec. 31, 6 p.m.
	Letters, Dec. 31, 6 p.m.

For	Date and Time
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and "Europe via Vancouver B.C. and "Europe via Siberia"	Empress of Japan, Fri., Jan. 1, 1.10 a.m.
	Parcels, Jan. 1, 1.10 a.m.
	Reg., Jan. 1, 1.15 a.m.
	Letters, Jan. 1, 1.15 a.m.
	(Due Vancouver B.C., 17th Jan.)
Swatow and Bangkok	Mainan, Fri., Jan. 1, Noon.
Howoh, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Klungchow, Fri., Jan. 1, Noon.
Amoy	Suihang, Fri., Jan. 1, Noon.
"Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane"	Nankin, Sat., Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	Parcels, Jan. 2, 1.10 a.m.
	Registration, Jan. 2, 8.45 a.m.
	Letters, Jan. 2, 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Brisbane, 10th January.)
Sandakan	Yusang, Sat., Jan. 2, 10 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Rawalpindi, Sat., Jan. 2, 10.30 a.m.
	K.P.O., Jan. 2, 10.30 a.m.
	Parcels, Jan. 2, 11 a.m.
	Registration, Jan. 2, 11 a.m.
	Letters, Jan. 2, 11 a.m.
	G.P.O., Jan. 2, 11 a.m.
	Parcels, Jan. 2, 11.30 a.m.
	Registration, Jan. 2, 11.30 a.m.
	Letters, Jan. 2, 11.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 29th January.)
Manila	Pres. Taft, Sat., Jan. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Anshun, Sun., Jan. 3, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru, Sun., Jan. 3, 9 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea, Mon., Jan. 4, 3 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fouchow	Halyang, Tues., Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa and "Europe via Marseilles"	Sphinx, Tues., Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
	K.P.O., Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
	Reg., Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
	Letters, Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
	G.P.O., Jan. 5, 1 p.m.
	Reg., Jan. 5, 1.45 p.m.
	Letters, Jan. 5, 2.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 4th February)
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., "Canada, Central and South America and "Europe via San Francisco and "Europe via Siberia"	President Hoover, Tues., Jan. 5, 8.45 p.m.
	Parcels, Jan. 5, 8.45 p.m.
	Reg., Jan. 5, 8.45 p.m.
	Letters, Jan. 5, 8.45 p.m.
	(Due San Francisco, 28th Jan.)

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**BUILDING LAW
IGNORED.****FINES ON OWNER &
CONTRACTOR.**

For carrying out structural alterations and additions to 26, Hing Lung Street without a permit from the Building Authority, the representative of the owners of the premises and the contractor in charge of the work were each fined \$100 by Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. J. B. Bottomley, of the Public Works Department, informed his Worship that the premises were being demolished and the work of reconstruction had been carried out without plans being submitted. He remarked that an extra floor was being erected on top of the old two storeys in a 16-foot street, while the staircase was unsatisfactory and even if plans had been submitted they would not have been approved, as the premises would come within the meaning of a new house and did not comply with the provisions of the Ordinance.

Mr. Bottomley intimated that the work which had been done would have to be demolished and suggested that the defendants consult an architect for proper plans to be submitted.

SHARE PRICES.**TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.**

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$147½ n.
Chartered Bank, \$109½ n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$117½ n.
East Asia, \$128 n.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$1,450 n.
Union Ins., \$420 n.
China Underwriters, \$4,90 n.
China Firms, \$650 n.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$1,460 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$25 n.
H.K. Steamships, \$24 n.
Indo-China, (Prof.) \$25 n.
Union Waterboats, \$27 n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$10½ n.
Kailans, 27/6 n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2.70 n.
Raub, \$40 n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$154 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$29 n.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old) \$5.25 b.
Hongkew, Tls. 225 n.
New Engineers, Tls. 6½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 95 n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cotton Tls. 15.75 n.
Shai Cotton Tls. 79 n.
Zoon Sings Tls. 12 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H.K. S. Hotels (old) \$15.15 b.
H. K. S. Hotels (new) \$14.75 n.
H.K. Lands, \$82½ n.
Shai Land, Tls. 50 n.
Humphreys' \$19 n.
Realities, \$11.80 b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$22.10 b.
Peak Trams, (old), \$15½ b.
Star Ferries, \$96¼ b.
China Light, 27.85 b.
H. K. Electric, \$78¼ n.
Macao Electric, \$25 n.
Telephones, \$43 n.
China Buses, Tls. 17.90 n.
Singapore Traction, 4/- n.

Industrials.

China Sugars 50 cts. n.
Malabons \$39 n.
Canton Ice, \$5¼ b.
Cement (com.) 19.65 n.
Ropes, \$18 n.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$29.10 n.
Watsons, \$16.80 b.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawford, \$6.60 n.
Mackintosh, \$19 n.
Sinceres, \$16½ n.
Powells, \$3.00 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$19.90 n.
Constructions, (old) \$5.55 b.

**HONGKONG SHARE
MARKET.****OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY
STOCK EXCHANGE.**

There were no fresh developments at the opening session this morning, conditions being quietly steady with rates a shade easier.

Sales.

H.K. Lands, \$82½.
H.K. Electric, \$78¼.
Entertainments, \$16¾.
Realities, \$12.15.
H.K. Ropes, \$18.

Buyers.

Waterboats, \$25.
Providents (old), \$5¼.
Providents (new), \$2.30.
Chinese Estates, \$95.
Peak Trams (old), \$15½.
Peak Trams (new), \$8.
Telephones (part paid), \$20¼.
Canton Ice, \$5¼.
Agriculturals, \$10.10.
Watsons, \$16.80.
Constructions (old), \$5.55.
Constructions (new), \$1.85.
Wharves, \$154.
Hotels (old), \$15.15.
Realities, \$11.90.
Trams, \$22.10.
Star Ferries, \$96¼.
China Lights, \$27.85.
Singapore Traction, 3/-.
Cements (old), \$19.65.
Cements (new), \$12¾.
Powells, \$3¼.

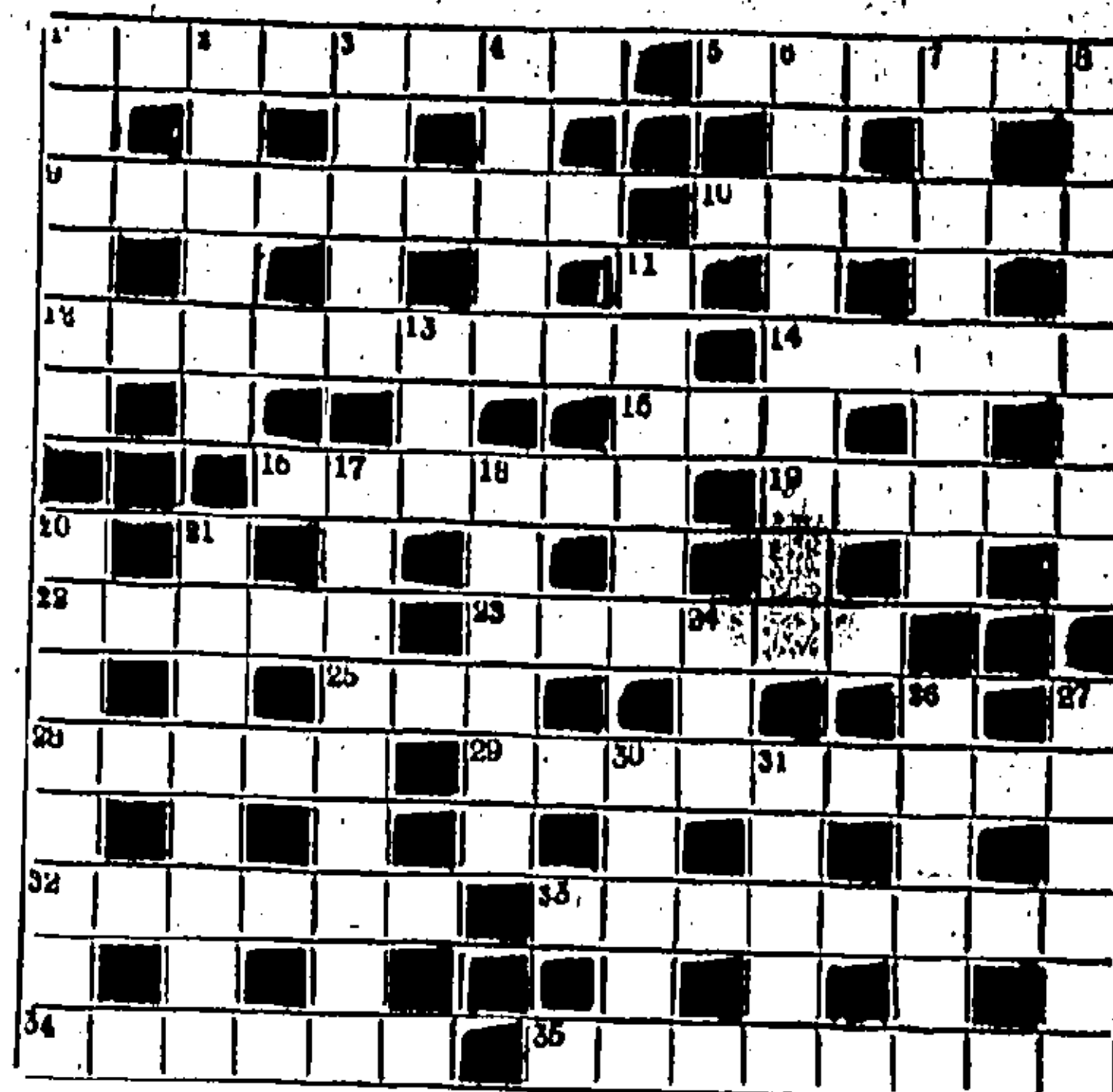
Sellers.

Realities, \$12¾.
Raub, \$40.
Star Ferries, \$96¼.

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- 5 A complaint will be certain if I give you a City labyrinth. But remember how twinty a labyrinth is.
- 9 You might find this paper in a R.A.F. machine.
- 10 One kind of swallow would find it easy to get into this part of Ireland.
- 12 Deliver—somewhat like asking Kitty for a dance.
- 14 Unfasten.
- 15 The elements of any subject.
- 16 Not flying, though it begins with a pig and ends with a pinon: it is dissuading.
- 19 A Duchess might wear it the other way before a prominent artist.
- 22 Ware this, when swimming.
- 23 A car is never tired like this.
- 25 When this round object is as nearly as possible mid-way in mid, it becomes unilicallly.
- 28 This, metaphorically, represents the lowest point one can attain—like the gutter. (Try a drain for a change!)
- 29 Dover pens (anag.).
- 32 Uncommonly angry.
- 33 Scarcely an epithet for a sprig of nobility.
- 34 This bit of an animal seems more headstrong.
- 35 An American would love to hear his local team is made up of "all Babes."

- 4 In the Turkish hierarchy.
- 6 A big bird outside cut all higgledy-piggledy ought to provide you with a guide.
- 7 Describes a Continent.
- 8 Member of a much persecuted race.
- 11 Has a curiously shivery finish, bearing in mind that it covers quite a tidy distance.
- 13 I suppose there's no place like this for preventing milk from turning sour.
- 17 Timely.
- 18 Girl's name.
- 20 Examine a row! Not in such profusion, surely!
- 21 Were she an Amazon, she might wear one and be one.
- 24 The reverential part of 23.
- 26 Whatever a "vet." may say, I know a calf can quite easily adapt itself to this treatment.
- 27 You won't find such a column in the Hongkong Telegraph.
- 30 A dwelling.
- 31 "Voici le —, le —, le —! Voici le —, le — de mon pere!"

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Down

- 1 Herod never ruled an island, but this one might have been Herod's.
- 2 "But the Queen—refused to come at the King's commandment by his chamberlains."
- 3 A great athletic champion.

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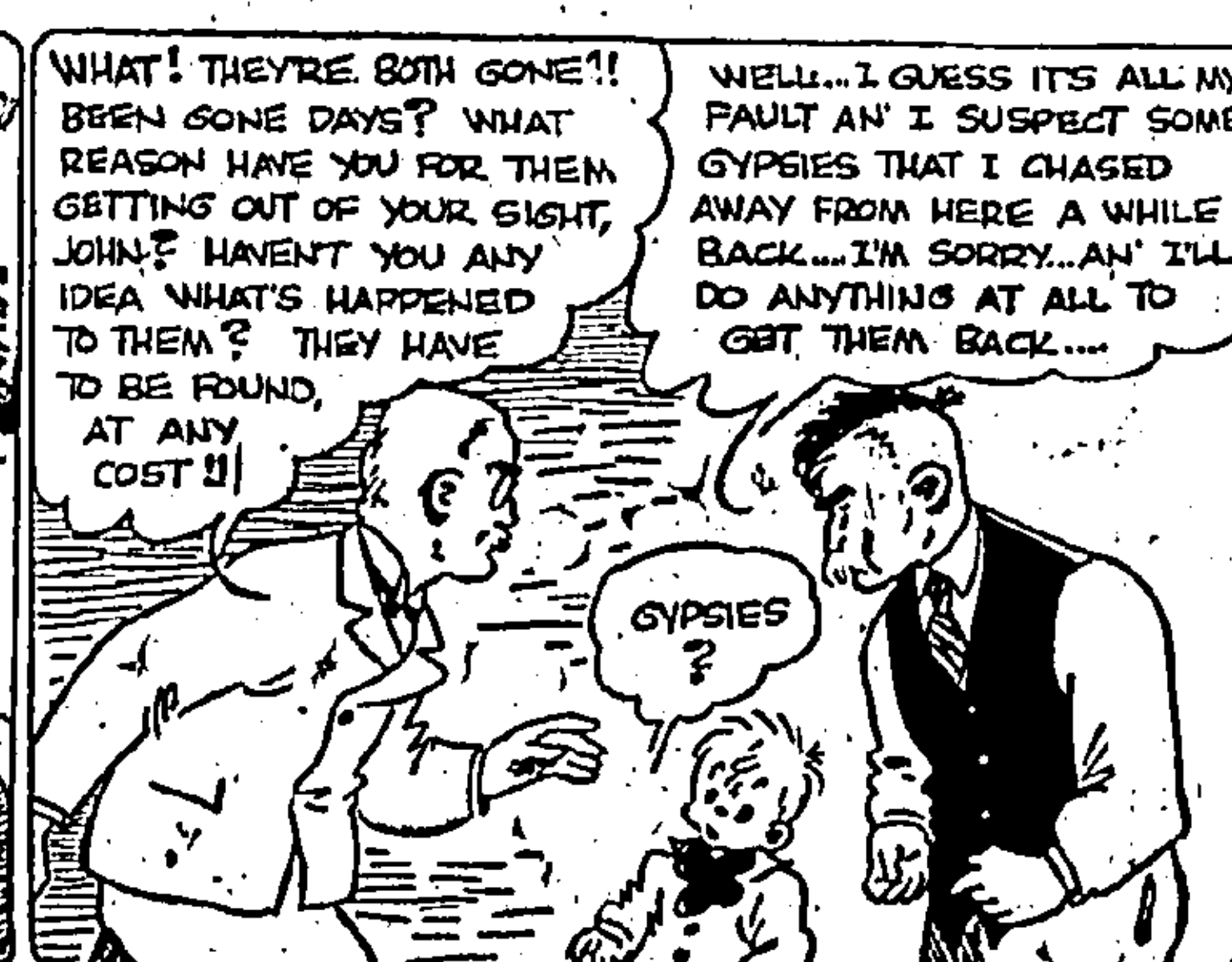
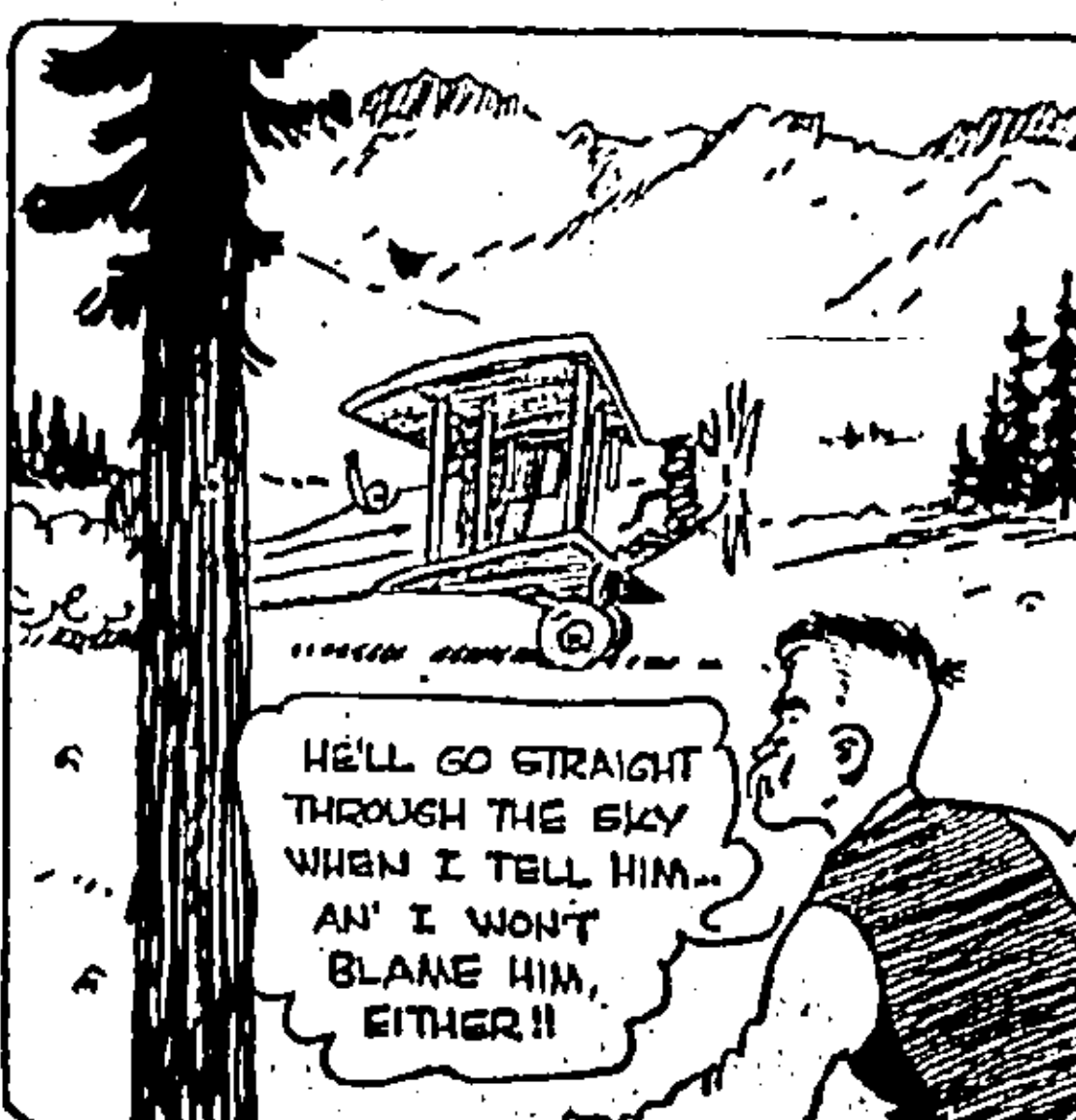
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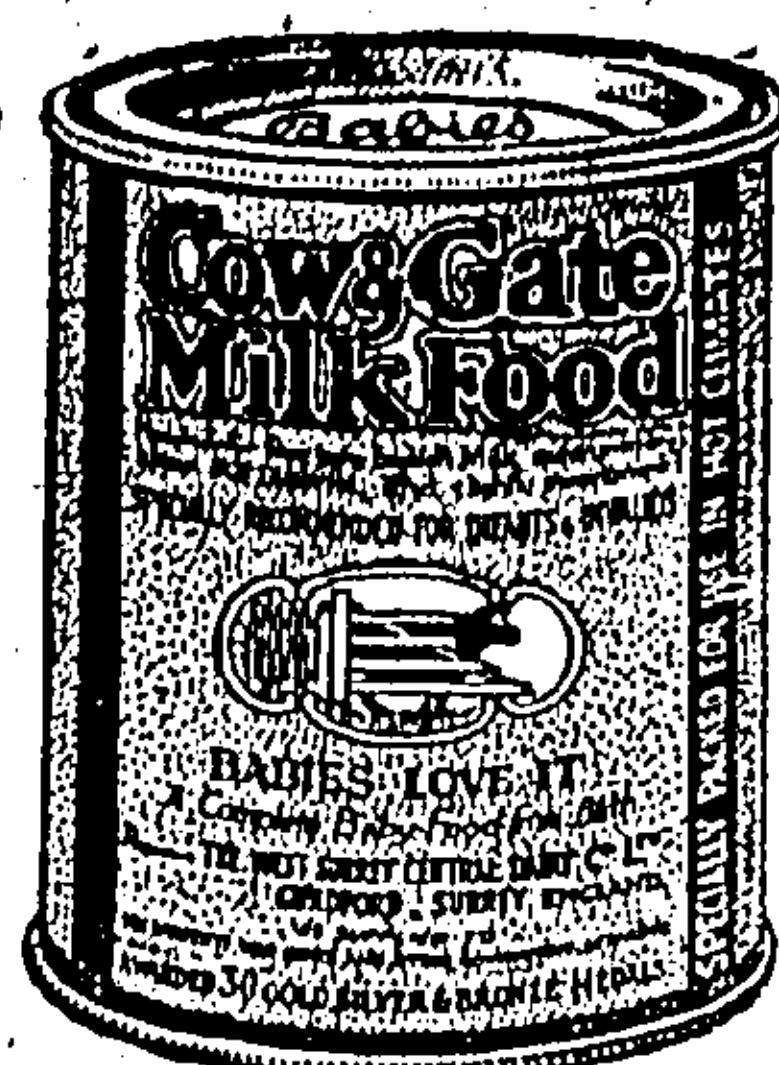
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The
Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1931.

A MISCHIEF-MAKER.

Gandhi's first public utterance since his return to India does not inspire the hope that he will endeavour to keep the forces of disorder in check and work wholeheartedly in favour of a final settlement of the Indian problem. Indeed, the underlying sentiment of his speech would appear to indicate anything but pacific intentions. It was hoped that Gandhi's appearance at the Round Table Conference in London would pave the way to a real understanding, but it is now history that, whilst there, the Congress leader did not show himself in any way disposed to adopt a helpful attitude. He contributed nothing constructive to the discussions, preferring to remain largely aloof and, when he did speak, investing his remarks with a good deal of sarcasm and cynicism. Yet now and again he made what now looks like a pretence to sincerity, though at no stage committing himself in any way.

In the course of his visit to the Continent, Gandhi was credited with the remark, whilst in Rome, that "to-day the whole Indian nation is called to a work of destruction—boycotting," adding that "I return to India to continue the struggle against England." It is true that this alleged interview was subsequently denied in a statement in which he declared that he would take no precipitous action, but would make ample previous entreaties should direct action become necessary. His obsession on the possibility of conflict is still apparent, witness his latest declaration that if a fight becomes inevitable, he invites his followers to be ready for it, as well as his reference to the contingency of "a fiery ordeal." This is not all, however, for he goes on to talk of the next fight, in which Indians will have to face bullets instead of lathis. Utterances such as these

surely are not what one should expect from a leader who never tires of telling the world that he disfavours anything in the nature of violence. The only outcome to expect from such loose talk is the working up of anti-British feeling, and doubtless when this is accomplished and retaliation becomes inevitable, Gandhi and his followers will calmly proceed to lay the blame at Britain's door. Once again, in his latest speech, Gandhi wants the other side to give way before he even thinks of co-operating. What he desires is the repealing of recent ordinances which have been put into effect in order to suppress illegal Congress activities, such as the no-rent campaign. Reports from various centres in India show that, at the direct instigation of Congress, there has been wholesale defiance of the laws. So Gandhi's plan is really one which seeks to take away all power from constituted authority; in short, he is the apostle of anarchy.

In the circumstances, we can well understand and appreciate the charge expressed by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald. It is true beyond the least shadow of doubt that Britain has evinced an overwhelming desire to do the right thing by India. As the Prime Minister so well puts it, the Government's one aim is to broaden Indian freedom. Equally true is his assertion that the unhappy incidents now occurring do not represent a baffled and oppressed India struggling to be free, but a mischievous movement trampling upon India's progress. This succinct summary of the situation deserves, as it will receive, world-wide prominence. The pity of it all is that those who should be joining hands in the task of conferring untold benefits to the Indian people are the very ones who are undermining the whole movement and leading the country towards disaster. Gandhi, by his latest utterances, ranges himself with the forces of disorder and destruction.

The Cotton Surplus.

The wretched state into which the world economic system has worked itself is strikingly illustrated by the figures from the American cotton belt, where abundance of crop is accepted as a grave cause for alarm! The prospective new supply is on a bumper scale worse than the worst feared. Various proposals have been advanced in recent weeks for handling the embarrassing surplus, but the calculations have all been based on a probable surplus of 7,000,000 bales. The plan provided for holding off 7,000,000 bales from the market until July 31, 1933, and restricting next year's production so that the hold-over cotton would then be needed. It was actually arranged for the southern banking groups to finance 3,500,000 bales, for the American Cotton Corporation to hold 2,000,000 bales and for the Cotton Stabilization Corporation to hold a further 13,000,000 bales. The right to sell was granted in the event of the price rising above a certain level. It is apparent, however, that no holding movement can be effective if the surplus is to be 13,000,000 bales instead of seven. The scheme derived its hope for success from legislative restrictions on cotton planting adopted by the governments of Texas, Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana. The object of these emergency laws was to reduce production next year by twenty-five per cent. But it follows from the figures produced by the Empire Cotton Growing Review that the surplus of raw cotton at July 31, 1932, will be more than sufficient, on the present basis of consumption, to meet the demand for the whole year. The cotton holding and production control plan must, therefore, fall to the ground, unless the farmers are prepared to abandon their cotton acreage entirely for twelve months. Even this would not avert disaster. It would appear in a different direction. The Southern farmer would be forced to grow his own foods, now purchased from the Middle West. The Middle West farmer is already in serious difficulties from alleged over-produc-

DAY BY DAY

MEN MUST BE MADE MORE PRUDENT AND SELF-RELIANT, OR ALL THE SCHEMES OF REFORMERS WILL BE A MEAN WEAVING OF FABLES OF SAND.
—Henry Fawcett.

The P. and O. s.s. Rawalpindi, from Shanghai, is due here on Friday at 7 a.m.

The health return for last week, apart from the diphtheria epidemic, shows two fatal cases of typhoid and 44 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis.

During the New Year Holidays the Exchange Banks will be closed to the transaction of public business on Friday, January 1, and Saturday, January 2.

We have received from Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Pereira a sum of \$10 for Earl Hall's Fund for Disabled Service Men, which we have passed on to the local Secretary.

The management of the Republic Bay Hotel asks us to state that there will be no dinner dance tonight, owing to preparations for the New Year's Eve dance.

Struck by a public car in Nathan Road, near the junction of Jordan Road, a 14-year-old Chinese lad was injured yesterday, and taken to the Kwongloon Hospital for treatment.

The "Glen" Line Ltd., have reduced their passage rates from Hongkong to London as from June 1, 1932, as follows:—June 1 to November 30, 1932, £60; December 1 to May 31, 1933, £75. The existing rates for the same periods in the past have been £65.12.0 and £82, respectively.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending the 19th inst., shows the following cases of infectious diseases and deaths therefrom: Plague, Baghdad 1 case, Cholera, Calcutta 11 cases 6 deaths, Saigon 1 case, Small-pox, Baghdad 3 cases 1 death, Bombay 2 cases 1 death, Karachi 2 cases, Madras 1 case, Rangoon 4 cases 1 death, Pondicherry 2 cases 2 deaths, Batavia 1 case, Saigon 17 cases 3 deaths, Amoy 60 cases 22 deaths, Canton 6 cases, Shanghai 16 cases 8 deaths.

A fishmonger at the Western Market was attacked by roughs last evening in Hollywood Road while returning home with the day's takings. Receiving a blow from an iron bar, which almost paralysed his arm, he was compelled to surrender a cash-box to one of three men who surrounded him near the Man Mo Temple. In the subsequent hue-and-cry, the man who used the iron bar was intercepted by a watchman, and the cash-box, containing \$43.17, was recovered, having been discarded by the thief when he realised that capture was inevitable.

On their discharge from prison, where they had served a month for stowing away on a steamer from Japan, three Japanese, namely, Hiroyoshi Shinzo, Nakakawa Masa, and Nishimura Mitsuo, were brought before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning, and charged with vagrancy. Detective Sgt. Mottram stated that the Japanese Consul would be arranging for their repatriation within a week or ten days time. In the meantime, he suggested a sojourn at the House of Detention as being the most convenient arrangement. The men were accordingly committed to the House.

How it will all end time alone will show. But it is not at all certain that events will not compel even Hongkong residents to take more than a casual interest.



"Hello boys: Just a line to let you know we made 450 miles the first day—having a great time."

BUSINESS OR A PROFESSION?

A Problem for Parents: by a SCHOOLMASTER.

SIGNS are not wanting of the increasing gravity of the world crisis in trade and commerce. Business is bad. We must make our sons professional men or they perish. So many of us, nevertheless, it is a poor state of mind that brings no harvest to some beachcomber, and there are businesses which will weather the crisis with a great measure of success.

By this I do not mean that we should make our sons beachcombers—heaven forbid!—but that we should consider the industries likely to survive when the crash comes, and put our sons into those. Foresight and a knowledge of economics are required, but the patient parent will try to acquire these, and having examined the chances of his son's success in business or in the professions, will probably declare for business results lists.

To begin with, success in the commercial sphere is not a matter of competitive examinations in academic subjects, whereas in the professions, success is largely dependent upon placing in "exam" results lists.

A boy who enters a University finds himself in competition with minds as acute and often more brilliant than his own. They are all selected by an entrance examination of wide scope. Men send their clever sons to the University and their less clever ones into industry. The result is that the clever lad whose father either has foresight or lacks cash makes his way in business immediately, having less intelligent competitors than the clever boy who goes to a University.

"Respectability." We all remember the character, poor Dobbin, in "Vanity Fair," who was mocked at because his father was a grocer. The boys in Dr. Swissham's school despised men who made their money in business, and the same spirit, greatly attenuated, it is true, prevails to-day. We would all prefer to be able to say that our sons were doctors, clergymen, or lawyers rather than that they were managers of a chain of multiple groceries or ran a successful hotel.

This is not because we reverence more than money, but because we still doubt the "respectability" of trade. Yet, if we examine the endowments of our colleges, we shall find that they are nearly all dependent upon business men for their financial stability. Andrew Carnegie and John D. Rockefeller, to take but two outstanding examples, have done more for education than the educationists themselves. In this country, it must be acknowledged, we are too conservative, and Victorian still in our ideas of what constitutes a respectable occupation.

The Swiss have no such conventional outlook. They have established colleges for the higher education of hotel keepers, managers, and chefs. These young men become economists. They are trained for occupations which are as highly regarded as our professions. It is a mystery why a professor of political economy should be esteemed above a successful hotel-keeper who is a professor in his own way of domestic economy.

Out-of-Date Prejudices. We are all at the mercy of a tradition, that the "lad of parts"

must have an academic education, and to that end the secondary schools are made subservient to him. They are the trains, by which he reaches his destinations, and these destinations are, unfortunately, becoming fewer and growing less alluring. Of what avail is it that we have saved and struggled, as one minor's wife put it, "to give the laddie the letters after his name," when his brother, too dull to aspire to cap and gown, has risen to be manager at the pit or at the mill as a result of a few years' classes at the evening technical school.

In the professions a man is invariably too young at thirty for responsible posts, but in business "too old at forty" is an outworn superstition. In business, too, he has a greater chance of attaining affluence earlier than his professional brother.

The balance seems weighted in favour of a business career for the bright boy, and if we could only rid ourselves of our anachronistic prejudices as to respectability we would come to regard business as honourable and as worthy an occupation as that of priest or pedagogue, jurist or physician.

MARRIAGE—THEN GOODBYE.

The Fate of Bachelor Friendships

WHY do so many men drop the friends of their bachelor days when they marry?

One of my oldest friends has just told me of his engagement, and when I congratulated him I mentally bade him goodbye, for I knew that after a few attempts to keep up our old intimate comradeship he and I will gradually drift apart.

At first I and some other pre-marriage friends shall probably be invited to his new home occasionally, and we shall entertain the newly-wed couple in return; but all too soon it will come to an end; he will form friendships with his wife's intimates, but his old companions will become acquaintances, or at the best, mere ghosts of friends.

Do women treat their old friends in this manner? I think it will be noticed that most wives keep their girlhood friendships alive, while husbands allow theirs to die out.

There was my friend George, for instance, one of the most popular men in my circle; since his marriage we hardly ever see him, and now I do not even know where he lives. When his wife presented him with a son I sent a mug and his wife flowers. George asked me to a christening, which I did not attend, and that was the last of him. That was three years ago.

To-day, when Frank told me he was going to marry I said I hoped he would not disappear like George. Frank was indignant, never would he drop his old friends. George was henpecked. He knew that for a fact, but there would be no fade-out of old friends with him. He was teaching Elizabeth bridge, and we were going to have some happy times together when he got settled down.

It was the same old good intentions, and sounded all very nice, but I fear that Elizabeth will somehow lose all interest in bridge after she marries, and Frank will find new amusements provided for him by his wife, which will not allow him to see very much of his old friends.

It seems such a great pity, this breaking up of bachelor friendships, yet it is not always the wife who is to blame. Some of them at first made worthy attempts to keep the flame of friendship alive with their husbands' old cronies but more often it is allowed to flicker out.

Is it because a woman does not like anyone to know her husband better than she knows him? A young wife who has met her husband but a short time before marriage does not know him like a friend of his schooldays and youth, and perhaps she experiences a feeling something akin to jealous resentment of those who have known him before his bouquet days.

Still, I do know of one exception. My friend Hugh married and kept his friends. When he asks me over for an evening I am always assured of a welcome from his wife, and a pleasant meeting with other members of the gang. But Hugh has a clever wife, and I expect she knows Hugh and me better than we know ourselves.

I am going there to-night with Laurence, who is to call for me with his car. Good old Laurence! I know he will never forget his friends. But stay! Laurence has just come in, and is babbling about having been up in an aeroplane with a girl this afternoon. I wonder!

TUBERCULOSIS
SCOURGE.HIS EXCELLENCY ON
BIG PROBLEM.

NEW WARDS OPEN.

Many prominent Chinese and foreign residents were present at the Kwong Wah Hospital, Yaumatei, this morning, when His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, opened the new tuberculosis wards.

In thanking Sir William and Lady Peel for their presence, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Chairman of the Hospital committee, detailed the history of the hospital and outlined what had led up to the construction of the tubercular wards. There was accommodation for 35 patients in them, he said.

Governor's Speech.

H. E. the Governor said:— It gives me very great pleasure to open to-day these new tuberculosis wards of the Kwong Wah Hospital. In the early years of this century the population of Kowloon had grown very considerably. The patients in need of hospital treatment still had to be taken across the harbour, and sent to the G. L. H. or the Tung Wah Hospital. The disadvantages of this are obvious. In 1906 the Board of Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital undertook to raise by voluntary subscriptions a fund for the provision of a new hospital in Kowloon to be organised on the same lines as the Tung Wah Hospital. Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan has given us a lucid history of the establishment of this institution and of its subsequent development.

Record Progress.

It shows a wonderful record of progress, reflecting the greatest credit on the various committees who have had the management of this hospital. In erecting these wards which it is my privilege to open to-day, the committee has shown a wise appreciation of the needs of the Colony. I am glad that Mr. Ngan, who four years ago was so anxious for such wards to be built, has now the pleasure of seeing them completed during his term of office as chairman.

The scourge of tuberculosis in Hongkong requires no stressing from me. It is truly terrible, and any effort to deal with it deserves the greatest commendation. There are advocates of sanatoria for such patients, but my experience, and that of most others who have lived long in the East, shows that patients are very reluctant to come to such sanatoria until the disease has gone so far that cure is impossible. While therefore it may be true that treatment in a wider and more open space may have greater advantage, it is essential that some accommodation for patients should be found near enough to their homes to attract them to seek it. I am convinced, as I have said before, that the only way to deal with this disease is by a reconstruction of the town, and increased efforts to make people live according to more sanitary principles.

Herculean Task.

This is a Herculean task, however, and will take time, and meanwhile we must do what we can in the way of affording proper treatment. I congratulate the Directors on this latest development but I would stress the necessity of inculcating some better principles among the people, with a view to prevention of disease. The habit of spitting, for instance, is a most serious contributory cause, and I am glad that recent steps have been taken to tackle this habit. Propaganda should also be undertaken with a view to stressing the necessity for open spaces and ventilation in houses and tenements.

The Tung Wah, Tung Wah East and Kwong Wah Hospitals occupy a unique position in this Colony, and the post of chairman of the committee is regarded, rightly, as a very great honour indeed. The aims of the hospitals have been to give facilities to the Chinese community for western treatment, while still providing Chinese methods for those who prefer it. This is an admirable and broad view and the result has been to reconcile many of the Chinese to the more advanced western methods.

The house surgeons of the hospitals have been trained in western medicine, and I take this opportunity of congratulating Dr. Phoon, one of the house surgeons, on his having recently obtained the degree of master of surgery.

Directors' Good Work.

These hospitals owe their inception entirely to spontaneous and purely Chinese effort, and have done an immense amount of good work in this Colony, for which the Government and the Chinese people are most grateful.

TRACKING DOWN THE CULPRIT.



"Persistent investigations have brought us into direct contact with the origin of the outbreak," said Dr. Pope, the M.O.H., in an interview this morning.

NOT STRUCK OFF
THE ROLLS.CASE OF FORMER
H.K. LAWYER.

RETRACTION MADE.

"At a previous hearing I put to a witness in cross-examination a question which implied that Mr. Rowan had been struck off the rolls in Hongkong. I was acting on very definite instructions when I put that question. It has been brought to my notice that it is not true that Mr. Rowan was struck off the rolls in Hongkong. If there is any doubt of it I take this first opportunity of saying that the allegation is not true, as I am told it is not, though I was previously instructed that it was. I should like to withdraw it at once. If it has caused Mr. Rowan any pain or harm I very much regret that fact."

This was a statement made by Mr. K. K. O'Connor, one of the counsel for the defence, in the missing title deed case which has been occupying the attention of the Criminal District Judge, for some days, and which is expected to take up several more days.

The case concerns a young educated Chinese, Chang Kham Hoo, the fourth son of a wealthy father who left, at the time of his death some fourteen years ago, an immense fortune in the Netherlands East Indies. This multi-millionaire, Chang Put See alias Chang Tiew Siat, was at one time Chinese Consul at Penang and an ambassador of his country in the United States. He has millionaire sons now living in Java and in Hongkong.

Chang Kham Hoo, who now faces a charge of theft and abetment of the offence of using a forged title deed to obtain \$5,000, made more than one visit to the United States. *— Straits Times.*

Cable From Hongkong.

Messrs. Braddell Brothers write to the Editor of the *Singapore Free Press*:— Sir—In a recent case in the Police Court the name of Mr. T. Rowan was mentioned and it was stated that he was a solicitor who has been struck off the rolls in Hongkong. In justice to our client, Mr. Rowan, who is not here to defend himself we are to request you to publish the fact that we have to-day received a cable from the Secretary of the Hongkong Law Society stating that it is not true that Mr. Rowan has been struck off the rolls in Hongkong.

In view of the most damaging nature of the statement already made about Mr. Rowan we hope you will give the greatest possible publicity to this letter.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone appears to be central near Peking and nearly stationary.

I congratulate Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan and his directors on the excellent record of work which they have achieved this year. They have over their trust with many improvements added, but I feel sure that the incoming chairman and his directors will maintain the high standard set up. I have much pleasure in declaring that the new wards open.

Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotowall, who spoke in Chinese, also thanked His Excellency. After the opening ceremony, the party was conducted round the hospital on a tour of inspection.

GOVERNORSHIP
COSTS.POINTED COMMENT
IN SINGAPORE.

A £2,000 CAR.

Under the heading "The Misleading Axe," the *Straits Times* has some strong criticisms to make of the expenditure incurred on the Governorship of the Straits Settlements and the High Commissioner of the F.M.S., posts held by Sir Cecil Clementi.

It is pointed out that the total sum spent on the Governorship approaches the surprising figure of \$400,000, according to the Estimates for 1931, and it is suggested that there exists a lot of dead wood on which the economy axe might be wielded with profit. If it has not been completely mislaid after being applied with such vigour in other directions.

"Very Unsatisfactory."

While we do not desire, on the evidence so far before us, says the journal, to write anything that might be construed as a general charge of wanton waste of public funds, we do submit that a study of the estimates reveals a number of items which make very unsatisfactory reading in the light of the compulsory cuts that have been made in the emoluments of Government servants, and the still further reductions that are believed to be in contemplation.

Analysing the expenditure the journal says:—There are in Malaya four official residences provided for H.E. the Governor and High Commissioner. They are Government House, Singapore, Government House, Penang, Bel Retiro, Penang Hill, and King's House, Kuala Lumpur.

Free Servants.

His Excellency receives a salary of \$60,000 per annum and has the following servants provided at the public expense:—One lundai, one head house-boy, seven other house-boys, three cooks, a curry cook, a head butler, two assistant butlers, five table servants, two watermen, two pantry boys, a sewing amah, a second amah, a foreman gardener and three sub-mandors, gardeners at various rates, \$11,000 per annum, and a caretaker for Bel Retiro.

There are in addition to the Government House guardian, an orderly and assistant orderly, record keeper, private secretary, office assistant and aides-de-camp.

Other Items.

A sum of \$3,000 is provided annually for the renewal of household requisites, \$1,000 for the maintenance of furniture at Government House, \$350 for the maintenance of lights at Bel Retiro, \$1,000 for telephones, \$2,500 for upkeep of grounds, free motor-cars and \$7,500 per annum to maintain them.

The total expenditure provided for under the heading "Governor" in the estimates for 1932 is \$137,998. In addition to the foregoing, water is supplied free to Government House and Domain by the Municipality and towards the electric light bill in respect of Government House and Domain, amounting to over \$800 per month (p. 129, Colonial Estimates 1932), the Governor pays only a portion.

A £2,000 Motor Car. In the Colonial Estimates for 1931, on page 34, item 11 reads:— (Continued on Page 8.)

SANDAKAN LIGHT
COMPANY.HOPES OF DIVIDEND
VERY SOON.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Further alterations to the overhead high tension mains are being carried out, by which means it will be possible to increase the security of a continuity of light and power supply, stated Mr. R. G. Shewan when presiding at the annual meeting of the Sandakan Light and Power Co., (1922) Ltd., held this morning at Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co.

There was a slight decrease in the profit on the Working Account year, while the total number of units actually sold decreased by some 20 per cent. In proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen—The profit on Working Account, without including provision for depreciation amounting to \$29,794.49, is \$65,308.96, which is a little less than the previous year's profit of \$68,126.00. The total number of units actually sold decreased by 20%, as against last year. Of this, lighting accounted for 3%, and power 16.7%. Borneo, in common with other parts of the world, has suffered from the general depression. I am pleased, however, to say that there are indications that the timber trade is improving.

The net balance on Working Account is \$32,514.47. After putting aside \$2,815.16 to Sinking Fund for replacing the cost of our concession and charging Managing Agents' Commission and Directors' and Auditors' Fees, there remains, after crediting income from investments, interest and scrip fees, and profit on sales of investments and old machinery, totalling \$8,919.59, a balance to credit of Profit and Loss Account of \$31,932.70, which is transferred to the General Profit and Loss Account as per Balance Sheet.

Dividends Shortly. The sum of \$31,932.70 has been applied to the reduction of the adverse balance of \$50,381.73 brought forward from last year, leaving now a balance at debit of General Profit and Loss Account of only \$18,449.03. I think I may say that at last we seem to be approaching the time when we shall be able to commence the payment of dividends.

You will note from the balance sheet that our investments, including investments on account of Sinking Fund to replace the value of the concession, stood on 30th June last at \$149,572.45. We are continuing our policy of investing in sound local stocks spare funds that become available from time to time.

Further alterations to our overhead high tension mains are being carried out, and by this means we shall increase the security of a continuity of supply, in addition to being able to do work on certain sections without the necessity of interrupting the supply to the whole area or district.

Plant Maintained. The generating plant, sub-stations, etc., have been kept in good working condition. The old steel chimneys which had corroded badly have been completely renewed, and now that we have an additional chimney, which was installed last year, we shall be better able to do the necessary painting, etc., and thereby considerably prolong the lives of both chimneys. The spray pond which we use for cooling our condenser circulating water has been doubled in capacity. The extensions to our power house building, consisting of a

RADIO
BROADCASTTO-DAY'S PROGRAMME OF
RECORD MUSIC.

From Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres.
6.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese programme.
6.00-6.50 p.m. Chinese children's concert.
7.00-11.00 p.m. European programme of Victor records.
7.00 p.m. Mail notice, etc.
7.00-7.50 p.m. Operatic.
Chorus-Faust-The Fair (Gounod).
Chorus-Faust-Waltz and Chorus (Gounod).
Metropolitan Opera Chorus. 9.09.
Orchestral-Walkure-Ride of the Valkyries (Wagner).
Orchestral-Rheingold-Prelude (Wagner).

Symphony Orchestra. 9.16.
Song-Le Prophete-Ah, Mor Filis! (Ah, My Son!) (Meyerbeer).
Song-Orlando-Euridice-Che Fare Sonza Euridice (I Have Lost my Euridice) (Gluck).
Sigrud Onegin (Contralto). 6.50.
Piano Solo-Die Fledermaus-Paraphrase (Strauss-Godowsky).
Hennu Molchevitch. 7.29.
Song-Addio (F. Paolo Testi).
Song-L'Africana-Lead Me Toward the Vessel (Meyerbeer).
Enrico Caruso (Tenor). 7.16.
8.00 p.m. (Local time and weather report).

7.50-8.40 p.m. Orchestral.
(a) Serenade (Mozzowski) (b) Aubade (Auber).
Liebesleid (Love's Sorrow) (Kreisler).
San Francisco Symphony Orch. 6.50.
Capriccio Italien (Tchakowsky).
Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra. 6.50-6.59.
L'Arlesienne (Bizet).
Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden. 9.12-9.113.

8.40-9.00 p.m. Instrumental.
Violin Solo-Mozart (Bach-Winteritz).
Violin Solo-Gavotte (Beethoven).
Fritz Kreisler. 1.13.
Piano Solo-Valze Oublies (Forgotten Waltz) (Liszt).
Piano Solo-Capriccio in F Minor (Dohnanyi).
Vladimir Horowitz. 1.55.

Violoncello Solo-(a) Songs my Mother Taught Me (Dvorak) (b) Flight of the Bumble Bee (Rimsky-Korsakov).
Violoncello Solo-Song Without Words, in D (Mendelssohn).
Pablo Casals. 7.19.
9.00-11.00 p.m. Dance programme.
Fox Trot-Sam and Delilah.
Fox Trot-Bid Me Your Time. 2.30.
Fox Trot-I Didn't Have You.
Fox Trot-Now That You're Gone. 2.28.

Fox Trot-There's No Other Girl.
Fox Trot-I'm All Dressed up with a Broken Heart. 2.27.
Waltz-Blue Kentucky Moon.
Fox Trot-My Moonlight.

Rosary. 2.28.
Fox Trot-Minnie, the Moocher.
Fox Trot-Hecbie Jeebies. 2.27.
Fox Trot-I Love You so Much.
Fox Trot-Dancing the Devil Away. 2.28.

Fox Trot-Jackass Blues.
Fox Trot-Up and At Em. 2.01.
Waltz-Hush-a-Bye.
Fox Trot-Idolizing. 2.02.
Fox Trot-I Love Louisa.
Fox Trot-New Sun in the Sky. 2.27.

Fox Trot-You Can't Stop me From Loving You.
Fox Trot-What's Keeping my Prince Charming? 2.27.
Fox Trot-I'll Love You in my Dreams.

Fox Trot-Think a Little Kindly of Me. 2.27.
Waltz-In a Little Spanish Town.
Fox Trot-There's a Boatman on the Volga. 2.02.
Fox Trot-Whistling in the Dark.
Fox Trot-My Cigarette. Lady. 2.27.

Fox Trot-Smile, Darn Ya, Smile.
Fox Trot-I'm Crazy 'Bout my Baby. 2.26.
Waltz-You Will Remember Vienna.
Fox Trot-I Bring a Love. Song. 2.25.

Fox Trot-Hard-to-Go! Gettle.
Fox Trot-Katinka. 2.01.
Fox Trot-"Gimme" a Little Kiss, Will Ya? Huh?
Fox Trot-Lonesome and Sorry. 2.03.

Waltz-Sweetheart Memories.
Waltz-The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi. 2.02.
11.00 p.m. Rugby mid-day press news.

11.03 p.m. Close down. All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Tang Pook Piano Co.

A new office for our Manager, meter department, and stores, were completed during the financial year. I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and Accounts as presented to the meeting, and when that has been seconded shall be pleased to answer questions from shareholders.

The adoption of the report was seconded by Mr. S. M. Churn and carried unanimously.

Other Business. On the proposition of Mr. F. J. Tavares, seconded by Mr. A. A. Botelho, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga and Mr. S. M. Churn were re-elected to the Board of Directors and on the motion of Mr. T. Toppin, Messrs. Love Bingham and Matthews, and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected as auditors.

Supporting. Mr. R. G. Shewan were Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. C. A. da Rosa and Mr. S. M. Churn (Directors), Mr. Noel Braga (Secretary), Mr. D. W. Munton (Consulting Engineer) and Messrs. J. Toppin, Tso Tso-tai, F. J. Tavares, A. A. Botelho and Chan Man-kai (shareholders).

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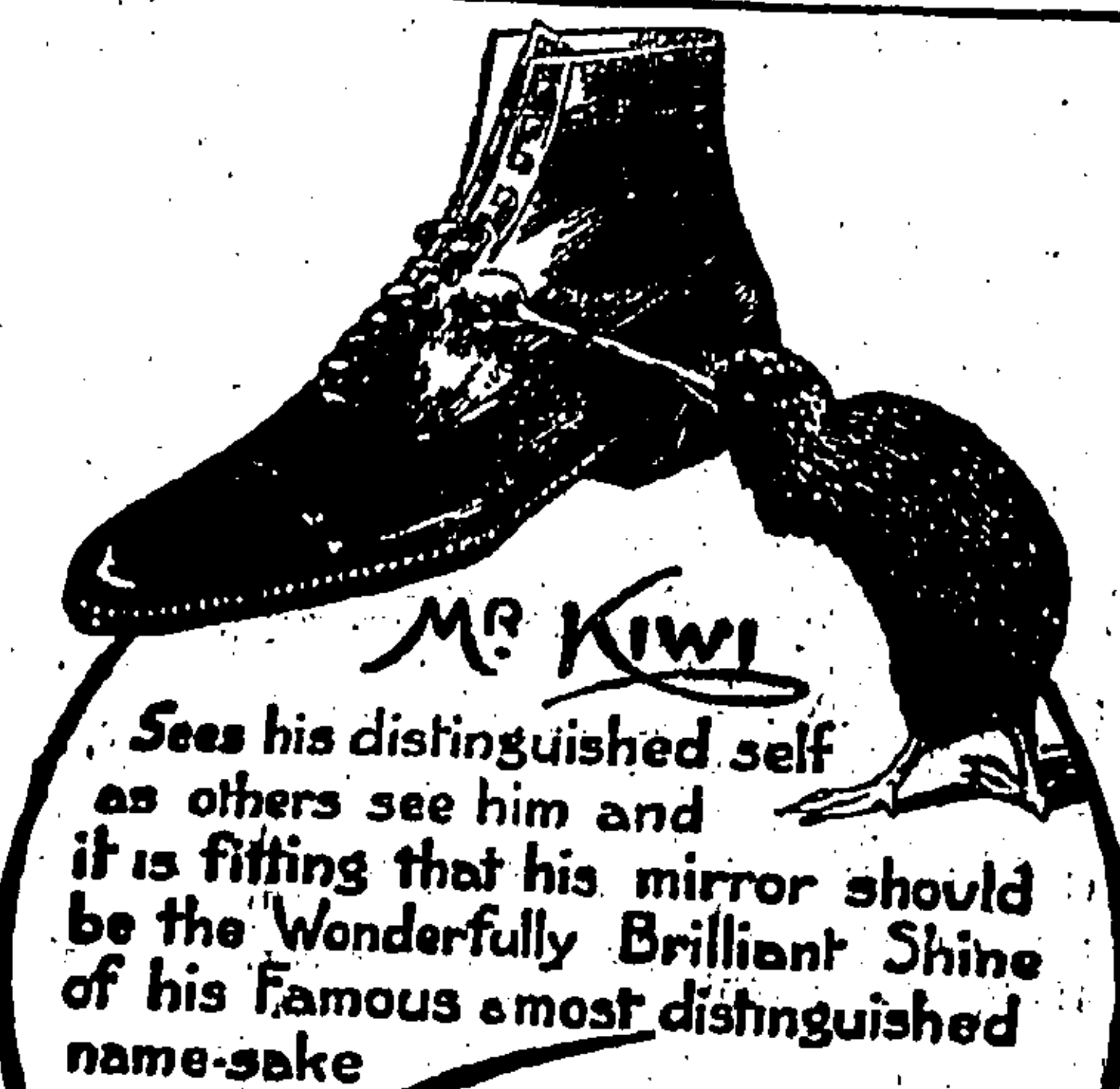
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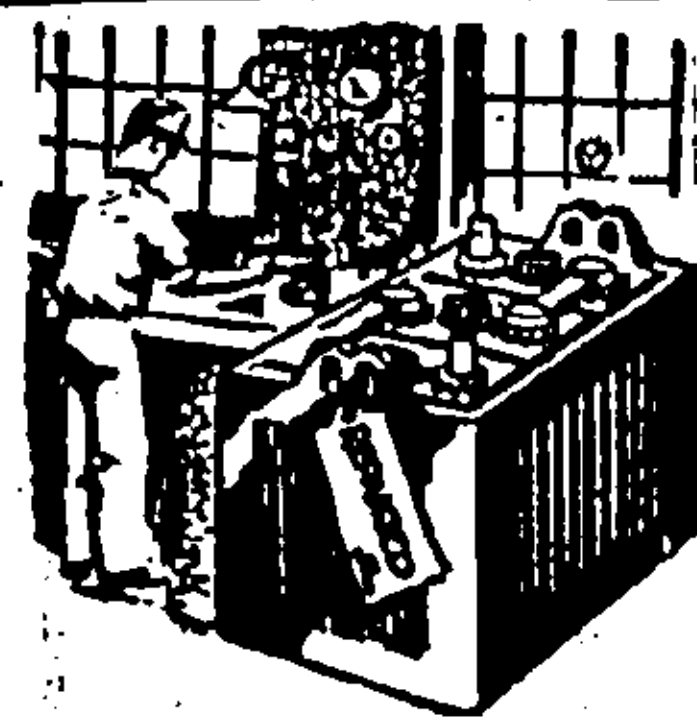
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Hongkong, who has been
selected to play for England
against South Africa at Twickenham. He plays for Bath
and Somerset.

SHAMEEN FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

KEEN MATCH ENDS
IN DRAW.

Shameen, Dec. 29.
An interesting League match
was seen here yesterday when
H.M.S. Tarantula met Shameen
Sports Club in their return match
of the season. In the absence of
Pote-Hunt in the attack and
Mellutchin in the defence, Shameen
fielded a somewhat weakened
side, while Gerrard having to
drop back to the defence, further
weakened the attack. In the
opening stages of the game TULA
pressed hard and were definitely
on top, the Shameen defence doing
well to keep their goal intact.
Towards the end of the first half
TULA obviously weakened and
Shameen took charge of the game,
giving the TULA defence an an-
xious time but without scoring.
Throughout the whole of the
second half the exchanges were
fairly even with alternating raids,
both sides being unlucky on several
occasions. A goalless draw was
the most fitting result of a clean,
well-fought game which was per-
haps the fastest and most evenly
contested match of the season.
Shameen are still an undefeated
side, having played ten matches,
winning seven and sharing the
points on three occasions.

Other matches of interest played
of late were Tarantula v. Moth,
when the former won 3-1;
Shameen v. Moth, which ended
in a draw 1-1; Lusitano Club
v. Tarantula, also a draw of 1-1;
Sennew v. Moth, which the former
won 4-1.

The League table now reads as
follows:—
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Shameen S.C. 10 7 3 0 29 10 17
Moth 10 4 3 3 19 17 11
Cicula 10 3 3 4 15 14 9
Sennew 7 3 2 2 15 12 8
Tarantula 7 3 2 2 13 13 8
Lusitano 9 0 3 6 11 32 3
Moerchen 5 0 2 3 6 10 2
—Our Own Correspondent.

FOOTBALL.

POSTPONED ARMISTICE
DAY MATCH.

A very interesting game has been
arranged and will be played on New
Year's Day on the Hongkong Football
Club's ground, where the Combined
Services will be pitted against the
rest of the Colony.

Two strong teams have been chosen
and a strenuous game may be ex-
pected.

It will be recalled that this fixture
was to have been played on Armistice
Day, but owing to the weather the
game had to be postponed. In some
respects it was well that this was so,
for the interlude has allowed players
to find their form and give the public
a better exhibition.

His Excellency the Governor has
kindly consented to be present.
The kick off will be at 3.30 p.m.

FANLING GOLF.

MIXED BOGEY AT
XMAS.

Ten pairs entered for the Mixed
Bogey competition over the Christ-
mas holidays, which resulted in a
tie between Mrs. Redmond and P.
S. Cassidy and Mrs. Cassidy and
J. E. H. Cogan. They returned
ends of five down.

The following will represent the
Club de Reerelo in their League Match
against the Hongkong Cricket Club
2nd XI on Saturday, January 2nd,
1932, at King's Park, at 2 p.m. sharp:
H. A. Alves, Dr. A. P. Gutierrez, M. F.
Pinna, J. H. Figueredo, L. Gutierrez,
A. P. Pereira, F. J. Romedios, G. A.
Gutierrez, A. Prata, F. H. Carvalho
and A. N. Other.

MOTOR PUMP THEFTS.

TWO MEN SENT TO
PRISON.

Appearing on remand before Mr.
Schofield at the Central Police
Court this morning on charges of
burglary and theft of a Duro
electric motor from 355, Lockhart
Road, two young Chinese were sen-
tenced to prison terms.

The defendants were remanded
from Monday in order to enable
the police to arrest a third man
said to have been the principal
offender, but it was stated this
morning that although the two
defendants gave the police every
assistance, they were unable to
locate the wanted man.

Detective Inspector Rozesky
informed his Worship that the de-
fendants were unknown to each
other until they were introduced
by the third man, who had offered
them employment. On the night of
their arrest the third man had gone
for a rickshaw whilst the first de-
fendant was given the motor to hold.
It was whilst the principal man was
away that the detective appeared
and arrested the first defendant.
The third man had apparently seen
the arrest and immediately dis-
appeared from the district.

His Worship remarked that the
offence was a serious one, but as
defendants had helped the police
and as both were quite young, he
would make the sentence light.
The first defendant, who commit-
ted the theft by climbing on the
shoulders of the second, was
given two months' hard labour and
the other six weeks' imprisonment.

GOVERNORSHIP COSTS.

(Continued from Page 7.)

"Purchase of a Daimler Limousine
Double-six car, Singapore, \$18,000."
Well over \$2,000 for a car! An-
nually the gubernatorial dignity
should be secure in that. The
draft Colonial Estimates for 1932
contained, at page 139, the item
"Governor's Bungalow, Bel Retiro,
Rebuilding \$30,000" which led to a
question in the House of Commons.
The question was withdrawn as
"the item has been deleted from the
Estimates," but the fact remains
that the item was included in draft
Estimates submitted to the Legis-
lative Council when the slump was
acute.

And then there is the Sea Belle
II. On pages 76 and 79 of the
Colonial Estimates for 1932 the
cost of the Governor's yacht for
the year is given as \$101,000 and
this presumably does not include
the cost of launches to and from the
shore. There would be no loss of
prestige if this expensive yacht
were disposed of finally, for on the
few occasions that it is necessary
for His Excellency to travel by sea
a vessel could be chartered tem-
porarily from the Straits Steamship
Company or some other organiza-
tion.

Govt. House Bedrooms.
Again quoting Colonial Estima-
tes, this time for 1931, we find
at page 134—"Government House.
Construction of additional bed-
rooms above the supper room, \$53,-
000." \$33,000 of this amount has
actually been expended this year.
We are not prepared to say that
the accommodation at Government
House was fully adequate before
these alterations were undertaken,
but other occupants have found it
sufficient even in times of prosperi-
ty. That beautiful gateway to
Government House Domain—with-
out walls on either side and entirely
useless as a gate—cost \$6,600.

H.M.S. CORNWALL LEAVES.

RELIEVES BERWICK
AT SHANGHAI.

H. M. S. Cornwall left Hong-
kong early this morning for Shang-
hai, in the ordinary course of re-
liefs.

The naval authorities state that
there is nothing unusually signifi-
cant in the premature departure
of the cruiser.

More than two months ago, when
the relief programme was being
drafted, it was arranged that the
Cornwall was to take the place of
the Berwick, when the latter re-
turned home in January.

The Cornwall was scheduled to
leave Hongkong the first week in
January, but owing to the calling
of the Berwick up the Yangtze, it
was decided to despatch the Corn-
wall a few days earlier.

ENGLAND-AUSTRALIA AIR MAILS.

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London, Dec. 29.
It is expected that the Aus-
tralian National Airways experi-
mental direct flight to Australia
will leave England with mails on
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SILVER DOWN IN NEW YORK.

HONGKONG MARKET
DEAD.

Silver has again slightly declin-
ed in New York, which reports a
drop of 1/8th on a dull market.

In London, the quotation is un-
changed, small business being re-
ported. After the official fixing,
the market ruled easy, American be-
ing inclined to sell.

The Hongkong dollar remains
unchanged, with the market dead,
as it also is in Shanghai.

SUITCASE WEDDINGS.

PRIMATE ASKED TO
STOP THEM.

The question of marriages in
fashionable London churches of
couples who have no residential
qualification in the district is being
considered by the ecclesiastical au-
thorities, following complaints
made by vicars.

The matter is receiving the at-
tention of the Archbishop of Can-
terbury, Dr. Lang.

There is no doubt that suitcase
marriages are increasing. An in-
spection of the register at any fa-
shionable church will show that ac-
commodation addresses are given in
many cases to obtain a licence.

The same address is given time
after time. In some cases it is the
cruiser's house, in others an hotel
in which a room has been rented
and a bag put in for the necessary
period.

DETECTIVE RETIRES.

THE MAN OF A HUNDRED
VOICES.

London, Dec. 29.
Known to criminals all over
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voices, Inspector Keen of Scotland
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There will be seven events in all,
including a men's open singles, a
ladies' singles open, men's handicap
doubles and singles, ladies' doubles
and singles and mixed doubles.
The tournaments will start on Tues-

day January 5 and the first round
ties are to be concluded by Wednesday
the 13th; the second round by the 21st
while dates for the third and subse-
quent rounds will be announced later.
Matches will be decided in three
sets in each of the tournaments, even
in the final rounds. The committee
reserve the right to cancel any event
for which they consider the entries
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Kamo Maru ... Saturday, 23rd Jan.
Kitano Maru ... Saturday, 27th Feb.
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Tango Maru ... Monday, 11th Jan.
SOUTH AMERICA (WEST COAST) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.
Bokuyo Maru ... Sunday, 14th Feb.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Constantinople, Genoa & Marseilles.
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CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
Hakodate Maru ... Wednesday, 6th Jan.
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BOY SCOUTS IN HONGKONG.

COMMISSIONER'S TALK TO ROTARIANS.

A suggestion that the Hong-kong Rotary Club might be able to assist the local Boy Scouts' movement by finding an Hon. Secretary, it is being the chief difficulty here, was made at yesterday's weekly luncheon, when the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, Commissioner, Boy Scouts' Association, gave a talk on "Scouting in Hongkong."

The speaker also stated that the biggest results of the movement were seen among the Chinese boys, saying he thought it a great tribute to the Chief Scout and the Chinese because it meant grafting Western ideas on Eastern minds.

In addition to the speaker, the Chairman welcomed the following guests, all of Hongkong. Professor W. Brown, Mr. G. Pickering and Mr. C. H. Tam.

The Chairman said:—The first thing I have to say to-day is to report to you that I went to Blake Gardens last Wednesday to present the Shield to the winning team of the School Basketball League Final. The game was keenly contested and the spectators there were most enthusiastic, and numbered about 1,000.

The space of the ground laid out in the garden by our Club is large enough for two courts so that two games may be played there at the same time. The playground is well laid out but the garden itself is more like a refuse dump and the entrances to the garden are in a very bad condition. It is extraordinary that a public garden should be allowed to get into such a dilapidated condition. I think the Government may be requested to spend a little money there and make the place look more respectable.

Room for Improvement.

Before handing over the Shield I told the audience that, through the efforts of the members of our Club Blake Garden had been converted into a playground, and that thanks were due to the Y.M.C.A., particularly to Rotarian McPherson, for taking charge of the ground and making arrangements for games to be played there.

I hope members of our Club will find time to pay a visit there and see the place for themselves. There is plenty of room for improvements and for more playing grounds, and this is an opportunity for our members to make further efforts in that direction.

Scouting in Hongkong.

The Rev. Waldegrave pointed out that the Wolf Cubs were the junior branch of the movement. When scouting was started it was found that the elder boys objected to having a band of small boys hanging around them and so the Wolf Cubs were started, their ages ranging from 8 to 12. Scouts ages ranged from 11 to 18, and Rover Scouts 17 and upwards.

The Wolf Cubs were the most delightful little people and he thought their training was the most charming part of Scout work. It was, he said, one glorious game, with good results visible all the time, and there was always something really amusing happening in the work.

Dealing with Scouts, the speaker explained that they were the original stock. They were full of activity and were given such work as exploration, camping, and various other kinds of training, and they all looked eagerly forward to the time when they could become a Rover. The Rover Scouts were the older boys, and they were taught to put their training into actual practice as citizens.

After dealing with the functions of the Court of Honour in the administration of the movement, the

POSEIDON DISASTER.

COMMANDER PLACED ON RETIRED LIST.

London, Dec. 28.

The *News-Chronicle* states that Lieut.-Commander B. W. Galpin, who commanded the submarine *Poseidon* when she was sunk off Weihaiwei on September 6 has been placed on the retired list at his own request.—*Reuter*.

Rev. Waldegrave referred to the Sea Scouts, saying that they were ordinary Scouts except that they specialised in sea craft and wore an appropriate uniform.

Deep Sea Scouts.

Referring to Deep-Sea Scouts the speaker said he thought there had been some misunderstanding over them as their idea was to help the movement and not to be helped. He explained they were formed by Scouts who had joined the Royal Navy or Merchant Service. It was found that a great number of Scouts who went to sea continue to be interested in the movement, but travelling passports which were issued were not always sufficient to put them in touch with Scouts at ports which they touched.

They were, therefore, organised as Deep-Sea Scouts in order to keep them linked with Headquarters and they were now given well-known means of recognition which ensured them of receiving a welcome from bona fide Scout Organisations with which they might come into contact. There were many men about who were members of the movement, and in the China Fleet there were at least 45. Accommodation had been provided for them at the new Sailors' and Soldiers' Home and they were doing invaluable work as instructors and examiners in the Scout movement.

The speaker dealt with the training now required by Scout Officers, which qualified them for their work and referred to the great help in this direction the Sai Wan Camp had been.

Secretary Difficulty.

He spoke of the difficulty of getting examiners, and the administration difficulty of securing continuity of secretaryship, suggesting that Rotarians might be able to help in those respects. The latter point, he said, was the biggest difficulty, as there was no Colony Secretary for the time being, and pointed out that in at least one of the China ports—he thought it was Tientsin—the Rotary Club there undertook the responsibility of supplying a Secretary when the post became vacant.

In conclusion, the speaker spoke of the success that Scout work had attained among the Chinese, remarking that the biggest results were seen among the Chinese boys. He added he thought it was a tribute to the Chief Scout and the Chinese because it meant grafting Western ideas on Eastern minds.

He ended by expressing his thanks to the Council for the fine work they were putting in on behalf of the movement, and to His Excellency the Governor, saying that without such support their work would be much more difficult. He also thanked the Rotary Club for the opportunity of telling them something about Scouting in Hongkong.

Appeal for Volunteer.

In thanking the speaker, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall said that as a member of the local Scouts' Association he knew from personal experience the difficulties that were encountered, especially with regard to the secretarial work, and he appealed for someone to volunteer to do the work in the knowledge that he would be helping to train the citizens of to-morrow.

NEW CHINESE MINISTERS.

ENGINE CHEN AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE.

Nanking, Dec. 29.

The appointments of the following Ministers were officially announced this afternoon, following a session of the Central Executive Council:

Foreign Affairs, Mr. Eugene Chen.
Finance, Mr. Huang Han-lung of the Ho Hong Bank, who has been Vice-Minister.
Communications, Gen. Chen Ming-shu.
Railways, Mr. Yeh Kung-cho.
War, Gen. Ho Ying-ching.
Navy, Admiral Chen Shao-kuan.
Education, Mr. Chu Chia-hua.
Justice, Mr. Lo Wen-kun.
Home Affairs, Mr. Li Wen-fan.
Industry, Mr. Chen Kung-po.

Other Appointments.

The following appointments are also announced:
Chief of Staff, Gen. Chu Pei-teh.
Inspector General of Military Training, Gen. Li Chi-shen.
President of the Military Advisory Council, Gen. Tang Seng-chi.

Chairman of the Mongolian and Tibetan Affairs Committee, Mr. Shih Chin-yang.—*Reuter*.

BUSY NEW YEAR.

REPARATIONS AND ARMS CONFERENCES.

London, Dec. 29.

Government officials and diplomats will be very busy the next two months over the reparations and war debts questions. The conference will probably be held at Lausanne, either on January 18 or 20, as to which momentous pourparlers are proceeding between London, Paris and Washington.

The League Council assembled at Geneva at the end of January, with an important agenda doubtless including the Manchurian dispute, while the Disarmament Conference, presided over by Mr. Henderson if his health has recovered, starts on February 2. Lausanne is the most likely seat of the Reparations Conference owing to its nearness to Geneva, compared with the Hague, which was largely favoured. A definite announcement is expected at the week-end.—*Reuter*.

London, Dec. 29.

Despite an improvement in his health as a result of his recent Riviera holiday, Mr. Arthur Henderson is entering a London nursing home to-night for an X-ray examination, to determine if a minor operation is necessary.—*Reuter*.

NAVY TROUNCED.

DEFEATED BY AN INNINGS BY THE ARMY.

Little enterprise was shown by the Navy batsmen in the annual cricket match against the Army which was concluded on the Hongkong C. C. ground early yesterday afternoon. Although the bowling of the military men was not exceptional the silent service treated it with too much respect and found themselves playing with unnecessary caution.

Capt. Mirchouse was the most consistent of the bowlers and was keeping quite a good length without being as dangerous as the batsmen made him appear to be. In all he took twelve wickets for 83 runs, including three with successive balls.
The Navy, in reply to the total of 408 for eight wickets knocked up by the Army, compiled 148 in the first innings, and, following on, were dismissed a second time for 68 runs, thus being beaten by an innings and 284 runs.

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Sentence of four months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon on a Chinese who was charged with being in possession of 240 counterfeit coins resembling the Hongkong ten-cent piece. The accused, together with another man, was also alleged to have conspired to utter the coins.

In answer to the charge the first defendant admitted possession and said that he knew the coins were counterfeit but claimed he had intended to sell them merely as scrap metal and not as a monetary unit.

Detective Inspector Rozesky informed his Worship that the only evidence against the defendants on the conspiracy charge was that the second defendant took the first defendant to a house in Wanchai and there introduced him to a ricksha coolie who, however, on being shown the coins, refused to have anything to do with them. The Police heard of the intended transaction and the defendants were arrested on leaving the premises.

If the first defendant had made the same admission when charged as he had made in court, continued the officer, the second man would not have been charged. He was brought before the Court on being accused by the first defendant as having been the man from whom the coins originally came.

His Worship remarked that there used to be a shop which purchased counterfeit coins solely as scrap and asked if there was any such shop in existence now.

The prosecuting officer replied that he had not heard of any.

After hearing the evidence his Worship sentenced the first defendant on the charge of possession, the count of conspiracy being dismissed against both men.

SHANGHAI WEDDING.

SON OF LOCAL UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR.

The marriage took place at Shanghai last week of Miss Mary Malcolm, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William Malcolm, and Mr. James Middleton-Smith, son of Professor and Mrs. C. A. Middleton-Smith. The bride is the niece of Lt.-Col. Dr. John Pringle and Capt. the Rev. G. C. F. Pringle of Canada, and the bridegroom's father is the well-known Professor of the University of Hongkong.

The ceremony was performed by Dean Trivitt at Holy Trinity Cathedral. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in a gown of ivory satin; her veil of net silk was embroidered with seed pearls. She was attended by two bridesmaids, Miss Barbara Earle and Miss Heather Bell; both bridesmaids wore deep blue chiffon velvet frocks with silver lame capes, and blue velvet caps to match. The bride's mother wore a handsome gown of black mirror velvet with a black hat.

Mr. C. M. Vise acted as best man, and the ushers were Mr. D. Smart and Mr. A. J. Kane.

A reception was held after the ceremony at the Hotel Tinty; the bride's going away dress was of greenish-red crepe de chine with cerise lace sleeves.

CHEUNG CHAU SCHOOL.

(Continued from Page 2.)

But as the phonograph records are so expensive, we cannot do anything at present. We hope to be able to get some for the school in the near future.

The school playground has much been used by the pupils in playing Volley Ball and Basket Ball. Several friendly Volley Ball and Basket Ball matches have been played by some visiting schools from Hongkong and Canton, in the year, and our boys have improved considerably.

Owing to lack of sufficient competitors, our 8th Annual Athletic Sports Meeting had to be cancelled this year, but we hope to be able to have it again next year.

In conclusion I beg to thank Mrs. Franklin for having kindly consented to distribute the prizes which I have the honour to ask her to do after Mr. Wong has finished reading my report in Chinese for the benefit of those who do not understand English.

GEMS OF PERIL.

(Continued from Page 3.)

mirror. It was Mike, the waiter. "Why, there's—" she began, but Bowen's gesture stopped her.

"Better not," he said. "Nothing to be scared of. I just don't understand all I know about this place, that's all. I'm hoping to find out something to-night."

Mike served them with an impressive countenance. The fat proprietor looked in from an adjoining room, nodded to Bowen, failed to recognize Mary in her evening attire, apparently, and slipped back.

"That's Jack Shay," Bowen told her in a low tone. "Jack's scared stiff. Somebody slammed into the front of his place this afternoon, and he hasn't stopped shaking yet. Jack can't figure out what they're after him for, Mike tells me, but he's gonna put the bum's rush on some guy he's got laying up upstairs. Thinka it's him they're after. Gang stuff, probably."

Mary burst out laughing and told about the accident.

"Well, keep it under your hat," Bowen advised. "Let Jack worry a little, it won't hurt him. Teach him not to let those bums hang around here the way he does. Jack's a right guy, but he's always taking it on the bushes from some other guy. He's regular granddaddy to all the crooks in Christendom. When they get in trouble, they take it on the lam for Jack's, and he puts 'em up till they can get out of town or it blows over. All I had had to do was tell him Mike had a record, and he took him on. Heart as big as a beerkeg."

He grinned. "That's why we're dining in this dump to-night instead of in a joint that would fit those swell clothes of yours. I'm eating off the cuff this week. When he added quickly, 'I wonder who it is he's got upstairs? Vivian Gordon's murderer or the guy that shot Rothstein?' He was being funny, now, and Mary smiled appreciatively.

Mike, the waiter, totted up the bill, scribbled on a pad, and laid the sheet of paper face down on the table. Bowen picked it up and prepared to sign it. His face changed colour as he read. He handed it to Mary.

"The fly is here," she read. (To be Continued.)

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The ground is registered in the Land Office as Subsection 1 of Section A of Inland Lot No. 1221 comprising an area of 2,738.34 square feet and the remaining portion comprising an area of 2,830 square feet and subsection 3 of Section A of Inland Lot No. 1221, which comprises an area of 2,830 square feet of land.

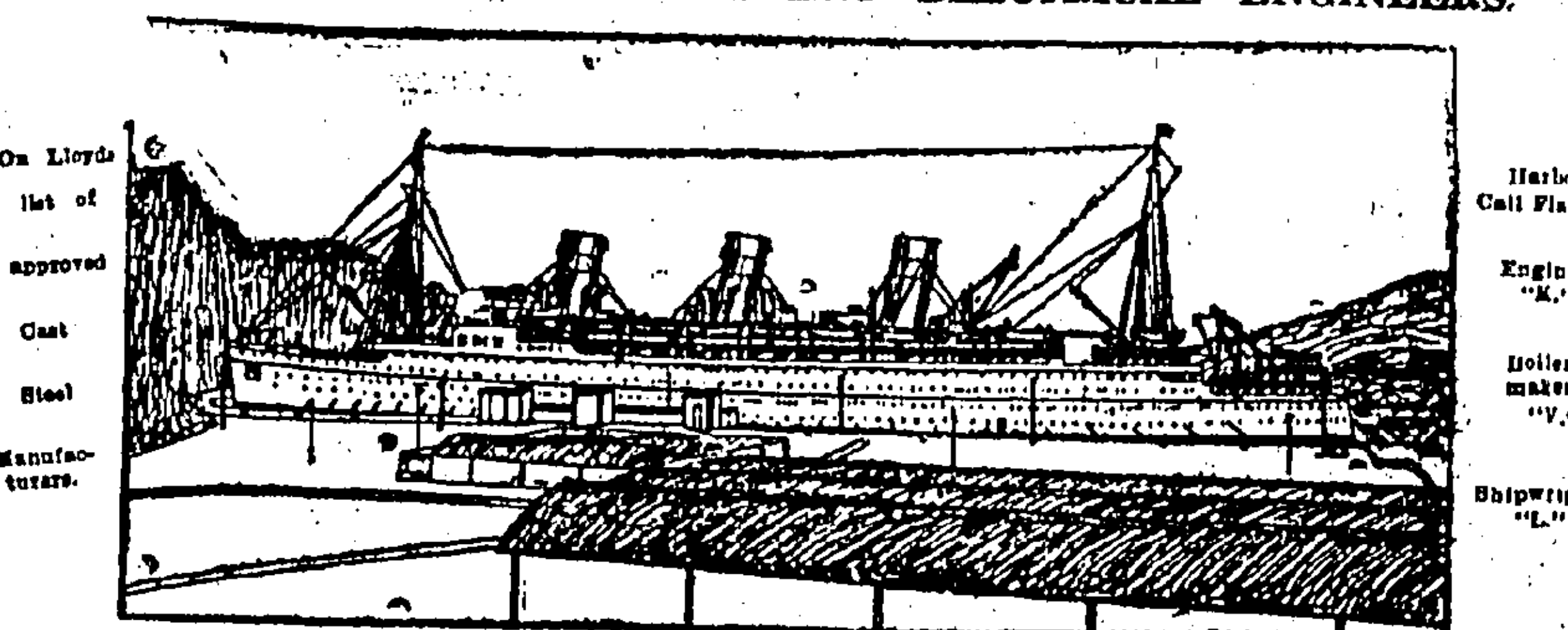
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*KASHMIR	9,000	13th Feb.	M's, L'don, R'dm & A'wery
*L'DERA	16,000	27th Feb.	Bombay, M's & L'don
ISUDAN	6,800	5th Mar.	M's, L'don, Havre, H'burg, Rotterdam Antwerp & Hull
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TALAMBA	8,000	15th Jan.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
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SAVINGS CERTIFICATES OFFER.

British Treasury Announcement.

London, Dec. 29.

A special offer was to-day made by the Treasury to the holders of National Savings Certificates of the first issue, those issued prior to April 1, 1922, which mature shortly.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer recently declared that he had prepared a scheme providing a number of options for the holders, pointing out that the best way holders could assist the State at this juncture was to leave their money still in the hands of the State.

No Appreciable Reduction.

Mr. Chamberlain revealed that during the financial crisis and General Election the reduction in the public's savings did not reach more than one-tenth of one per cent.

"There is behind all these savings," he continued, "the guarantee of the State, and so long as that guarantee rests as it does to-day upon that security—which is the best security in the world—the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, I say there is no ground for any weakening of that confidence which has been so wonderfully maintained and demonstrated."

Conversion Terms.

The Treasury to-day announced that on and after 18th January, the holders of Savings Certificates issued prior to April 1922—that is those issued at 15/6—may convert the value of their certificates into one or more of the following securities, namely: National Savings Certificates Conversion issue 4 1/2 per cent., Conversion Loan 1940 to four per cent., and National Savings Bonds series B.

For the purpose of conversion, certificates of the first issue which have not yet reached ten years' maturity will be treated as worth their present encashment value, plus the shilling bonus due on each 15/6 certificate at ten years' maturity.

Thus, a certificate bought on 31st March 1922 will be treated, if converted on 31st January 1932, as worth 25/10.

Saving Movement.

The National Savings movement has done a great work in promoting popular thrift. It has been so successful that the total number of Savings Certificates sold from the first issue in February 1916 to August this year was 1,048,575,000 with a cash value of £94,470,000.

The amount remaining to the credit of investors in Savings Certificates on that date was about £500,000,000.

HIGH JINKS AT KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE NEW YEAR'S DAY
CHARITY GALA.

GOOD FUN ASSURED

The benevolence and readiness for good works which have always characterized the activities of Sir Cumference and Lady de Tong have, we understand, induced them once again to accept the invitation of the Kowloon Football Club to the Charity Gala on New Year's Day morning, which promises to provide even more attractions for the unwary than normally.

The distinguished visitors will travel in state—though what state is not quite certain at present—from the Star Ferry to the clubhouse, leaving the pier at 10.30 a.m. and the proceedings at the Club will be formally declared open shortly after their arrival. The programme will kick-off with the evening half of the annual battle-royal between the Married and Single. All players will appear in fancy dress, under penalty of a heavy fine, but there will be nothing fancy about the football this year. It will be deadly serious. So deadly and so serious that the motor-cycle ambulance corps has been ordered to be on parade with "revolvers" to handle distressed warriors.

At half-time, Pipe Major Mackie and his Highland dancers will keep the ball rolling in a new form, after which Kowloon motor-cyclists will endeavour to wipe out the defeat imposed upon them last year by the Volunteers at motor-cycle football.

Those who have survived the first half of the Married and Single football match will then renew battle.

Throughout the proceedings, the Kowloon Football Club's well-known "jay-dispensers" will be giving away raffle tickets, at 50 cents each, for a series of handsome prizes, too numerous to mention, but ranging from cases of beer to boxes of chocolates, and bottles of port.

The entire proceeds of the festival will be devoted to various charities.

It was on April 1st 1922, that the price of certificates was raised 6d to 1s 6d with the maturity value remaining at 25/- and it is to those issued before that date that the present announcement applies.

Small Investments.

It was recently disclosed that small savings in Great Britain, including savings certificates, Post Office savings, building and friendly societies, represented an investment of £2,098,000,000, equal to £17 per head of the total population.—British Wireless and Ex.

OVER A MILLION NEEDED.

FINANCE COMMITTEE
VOTES

GOVT. SALARIES.

Votes totalling no less a sum than \$1,303,380 are to come before the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council this afternoon, of which over \$499,000 relate to a supplementary requirement in respect of civil servants' personal emoluments.

The provision made in the Estimates and by supplementary vote for salaries amounts to \$499,100 being asked for.

Less Than Expected.

It is explained that provision was made in the Estimates for the payment of sterling salaries on the basis of \$1=1s. 4d. By a resolution of Council dated 29th January, 1931, it was approved that sterling salaries of Government servants whilst serving in the Colony should be paid at the rate of 1s. 6d. to the dollar and as to the other half at the prevailing Treasury rate.

This was modified by resolution of Council dated 1st October, 1931, affording as from 1st July, 1931, some measure of relief to officers with families at home. Even so it was estimated that the extra cost would amount to \$700,000 more than provided in the Estimates.

Vacancies in offices and the higher rate of exchange ruling during the last three months have reduced the amount originally estimated and a vote for only \$499,100 is necessary.

Final figures for the year are not yet available but so far as can be seen this sum will cover the excess.

Other Items.

Many other items are also due to the fall in exchange, the rate of dollar falling below the 1s. 4d. rate for ten months of the year. The additional sum now asked for includes \$200,000 in respect of civil pensions, \$68,000 for police pensions, and \$20,000 for widows' and orphans' pensions.

Other items affected by exchange are \$45,400 for police passages, \$150,000 for transport of other Government servants, \$157,772 for purchase of raw opium and \$20,000 for stationery.

A sum of \$60,000 is required for water meters for Hongkong, as well as \$32,000 for rent allowances for senior officers, it being explained that the latter sum was underestimated, the original vote being \$90,000.

The many friends of Mr. J. O. Remedios will be glad to hear that he is now out of hospital, after having undergone a serious operation. He was a patient of Kowloon Hospital for a month and desires to express his gratitude to Dr. Smalley and the Sisters for their skill and attention.

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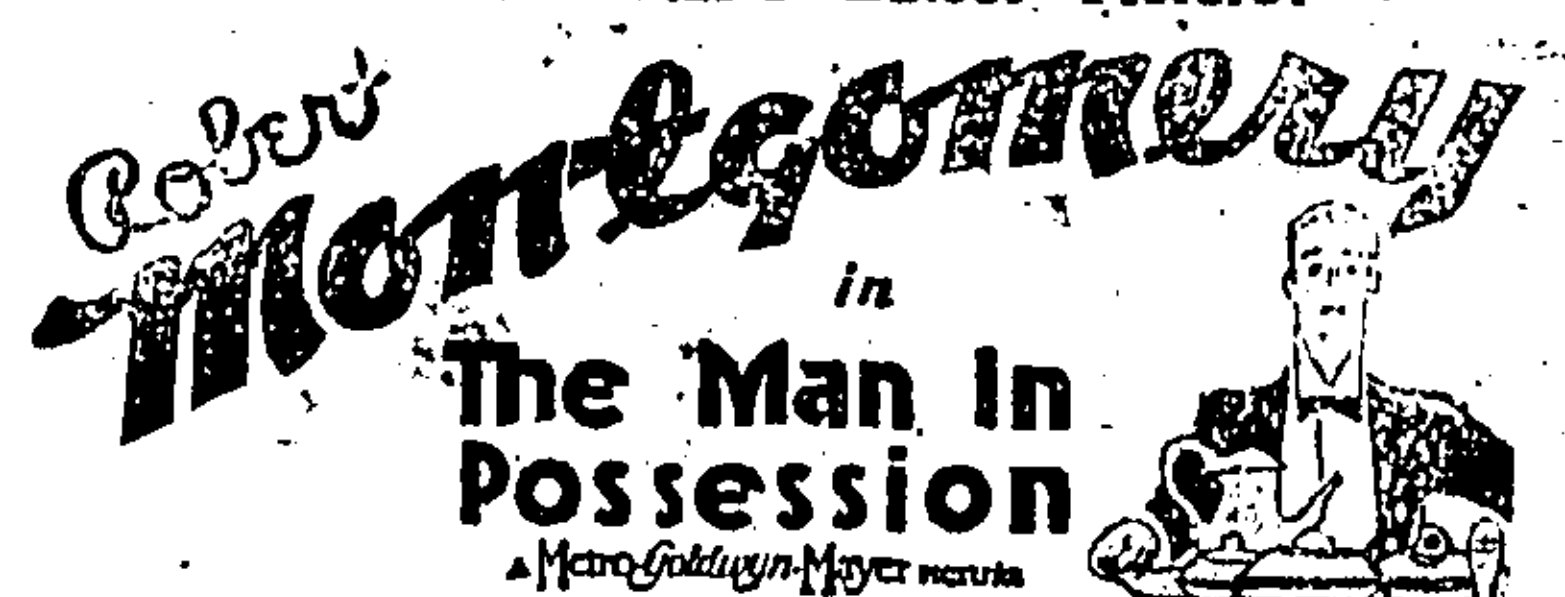
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May 1932 7/1 1/2 up 1/4d.

August 1932 7/3 1/2 up 1/4d.
December 1932 7/7 1/2 up 1/4d.
Buyers at above prices, sellers asking 1/4d-1/2d more.

New York Terminals.
March 1932 1.18 up 2 pts.
May 1932 1.17 up 1 pt.
July 1932 1.24 up 8 pts.
September 1932 1.28 up 1 pt.
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London (29/12/31).—Better demand for Refined Sugar in anticipation of possible early increase in duty.

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RETRENCHMENT REPORT.
PUBLICATION OVERDUE SAYS MR. BRAGA.
STILL WAITING.

The Government's failure to publish, up to the present, the report of the Retrenchment Committee, was commented on by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga at the last meeting for 1931 of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council, which was held yesterday afternoon.

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.) presided, and there were also present:

The Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. Edwin Taylor),
Director of Public Works (Hon. Mr. H. T. Greasy, C.B.E.),
Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C.,
Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton,
Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., L.L.D.,
Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga,
Hon. Mr. S. W. Tao, O.B.E., L.L.D.,
Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie,
Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson,
Hon. Mr. T. N. Chou,
Mr. R. A. C. North (Deputy Clerk of Council).

The Chairman:—I must first apologise for the lateness of the memo which reached you only this morning. You will appreciate it is an effort to bring in to this meeting as far as possible all the expenditure up to the 31st December, and we were not able to get the details out as quickly as we should have liked.

Water Meters.
With regard to a vote of \$60,000 for the fixing of meters in Hongkong and Kowloon, the Hon. Mr. Braga said:—Is there any memo by which this Committee can be informed as to the number of new meters installed in Hongkong and Kowloon respectively? Of course it is almost unfair for me to put the question without notice, but as you mentioned a while ago the papers were circulated rather late. It would be interesting to see what progress in the development of Kowloon is being made in comparison to Hongkong.

The Chairman:—Can the Director of Public Works give us the details now?
Director of Public Works:—I cannot give all the details off-hand.

Hon. Mr. Braga:—I did not think you would be able to give them off-hand but I would like to know what is the ratio of development between Hongkong and Kowloon.

The Chairman:—I will get the information for you.

Hon. Mr. Braga:—Will that be available for the whole of the Council?

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock:—Perhaps a statement can be made by the Chairman at the next meeting?

Hon. Mr. Braga:—Well a short statement would do, but the whole Council ought to have the benefit of it.

The Chairman:—It can be laid on the table at the next meeting.

Cost of Passengers.
Concerning a vote of \$150,000 for transport of Government servants, the Hon. Mr. Shenton asked:—Is that due as regards the increased cost of petrol and oil. It seems a very heavy sum for under-estimation?

Colonial Treasurer:—No, it is for passengers.

Hon. Mr. Shenton:—Transport of Government servants means passengers and not petrol for motor cars?

Colonial Treasurer:—Yes, passengers only.

Sterling Versus Dollar.

Speaking on the vote under discussion and coupling with it another vote of \$32,000 for rent allowances for senior officers, the Hon. Mr. Braga said:—With your permission, Sir, I would like to

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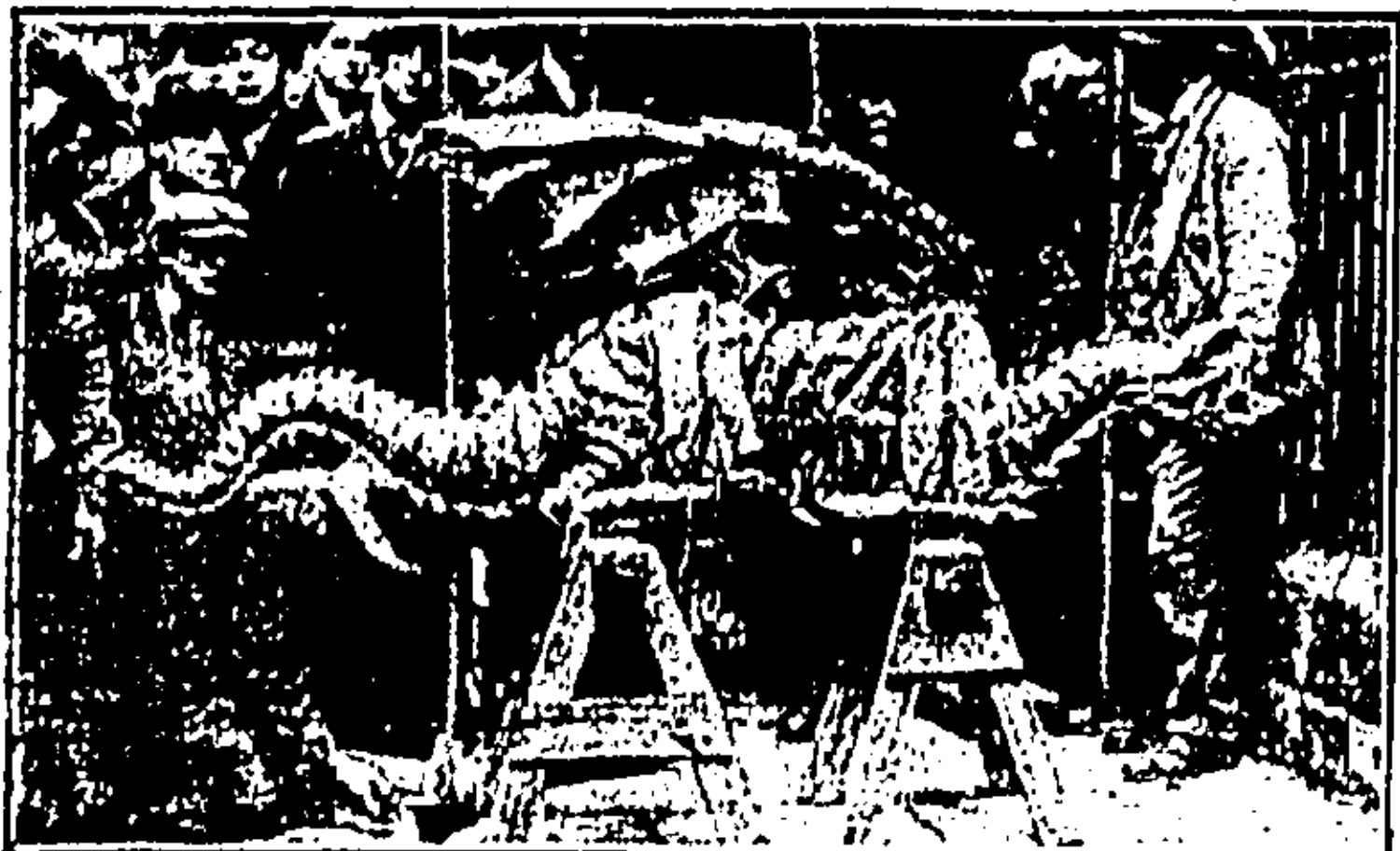
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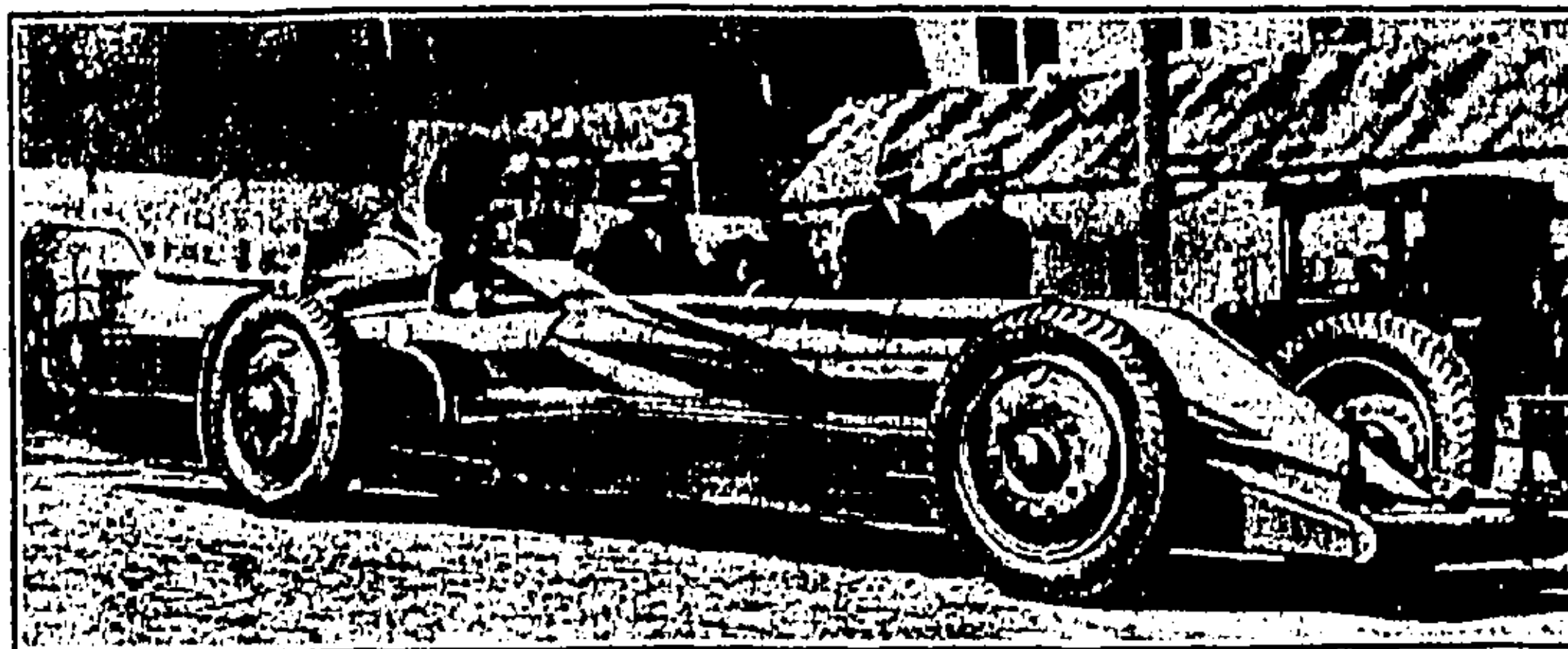
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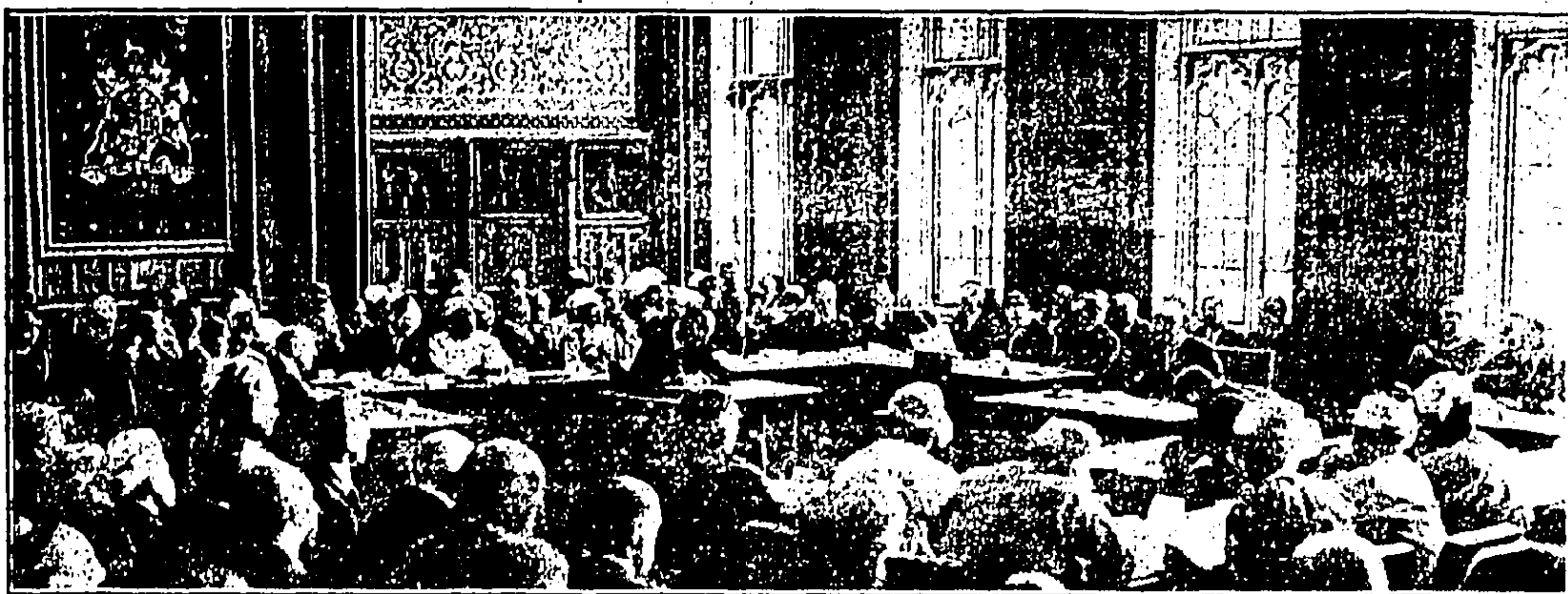
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The "F. H. Stewart Enterprise" in which Mr. N. ("Wizard") Smith, plans to make his attempt to break the world's land speed record in the New Zealand.—(Times copyright).



On behalf of the King, the Prince of Wales inaugurated the Burma Round-Table Conference in the King's Robing Room, House of Lords. Our picture shows the Conference in session under the chairmanship of Lord Peel, who is seen towards the right of the picture.—(Times copyright).



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Gems of Peril

CHAPTER XVIII.

HAZEL CROSS HAILEY

"Oh, waiter!"

Mike had moved off but Dirk called him back. "Where is he?"

Mike jerked a thumb toward the door at the rear of the room, the one leading into the private dining room through which Mary had passed in leaving the place that afternoon.

"He's the one Jack's been hiding?"

Mike nodded.

"We'll have to work fast," Bowen told Mary. "It was plain that he was disconcerted by the news. His eyes glittered under their sleepy lids and the hand that plucked a fresh cigarette and lit it trembled. As for herself, Mary knew that she ought to feel terrified, but she did not. She was merely tremendously excited and filled with a kind of mad joy. Crisis was at hand!"

"They took me through that room this afternoon," she whispered. "There were some men in there then. How does he look, The Fly?" Bowen answered absently. "I don't know. God, what I'd give for the nerve to walk through that door and poke him one!" He flicked a match away viciously.

"Oh, don't! He'd kill you," Mary gasped.

He withdrew from that glittering day-dream to smile.

"Don't worry. I'm no Jack the Giant-Killer. If he got away, he might go gunning for Jack, as a squarer. Can't let anything happen to Jack, the Newspaperman's Hope." He gnawed his underlip in a frenzy of concentration.

"You said you had an idea," Mary reminded him timidly.

"An idea for flushing him when we don't know where he was," Bowen replied. "It's not necessary now." He relapsed into discontented abstraction.

"What was it?" she probed.

"Why—" he leaned forward and traced a pattern on the tablecloth with his forefinger thoughtfully. "Simply this: that crook would give his soul for another chance at that necklace. I know it. I'd bet on it. And I'll lay you another bet—I don't know who his playmates are in there, but I do know they're hatching some scheme to get that necklace right now!"

"It's locked up!" Mary interposed quickly.

"No doubt," he answered dryly. "But there are ways of getting around that. Of course, if it's in a safety deposit box there isn't much to worry about."

Alarm widened the girl's eyes.

"It isn't," she confessed. "It's in Mr. Jupiter's personal safe. He wouldn't take it to the bank. No use locking the door after the horse was stolen, he said, and besides he didn't care what became of the thing anyway. He's hated the thought that it was her jewels, you know—the jewels he gave her, that—"

Bowen nodded, understandingly.

"But that's no place for it. Somebody will be knocking him off one of these nights."

"I told him, Mr. Ruyter did, too. He just says, 'Let them come.' He doesn't care what happens to

him now his wife's dead," Bowen was clicking a thumb-nail against his teeth and staring straight through her with bright, thoughtful eyes.

"Well, they say lightning doesn't strike twice in the same place," he mused. "But just the same he's taking an awful chance."

Suddenly he sat up and slapped the table with his hand.

"By George!" he said. "Why not? Let him come, and be damned to him. And while he's grabbing the necklace we'll grab him!"

"Oh, no!" Mary cried, in alarm. She shuddered. "Why not arrest him now? Why leave him free to come back again and perhaps kill—"

Patiently he explained. "We haven't got anything on the Fly as it is. You and I may be convinced that he is the murderer of Mrs. Jupiter and undoubtedly of your brother as well. But what have we got to put before a jury? Not a scrap of evidence of any kind!"

"Those men at the track—"

"We haven't even got a credible witness," he went on. "Bookies, gamblers, touts. Can you see Mike there going on the witness stand and impressing a jury? They'd vote to hang him instead of the defendant."

"No, we've either got to spend a lot of time and money digging for evidence, finding the jewels, finding the car, and the man who drove it, and maybe not getting anything conclusive after all, or getting him red-handed, if we can. If we get too hot on his trail—not enough to really get the dope on him—he may skip the country and then where would we be? Tied up with extradition proceedings, and a long-drawn-out legal battle. We'd both be old and grey before we got a conviction."

"This trick isn't as dangerous as it sounds, either. And you've got to remember this—if we get him to come to us we can choose the time and be ready for him. If he comes when he pleases, we're stumped."

"But are you sure he'd make another try for it? I should think he'd be too frightened!"

"He's not frightened at all. That's the point! Why, do you think he's hiding from the police in there?" He threw back his head and laughed. "Don't you believe it? Why, every cop on the beat knows Shay's is a hang-out for crooks. If Kane asked the metropolitan police to bring him it's the first place in this district they'd look. He'd be safer standing on a street corner. No, he's keeping out of sight for another reason. And a good one."

"This is what I figure: you know criminals are as vain as actors. They're as proud of a good smooth job as any sand-lot Hamlet. If they mull a trick, they get razzed by the rest of the boys. And they're human—they don't like it."

"Now you remember what a raging Kane gave this bird in the

newspapers? Called him an amateur and a bungler, and said he pulled the biggest boner of all time passing up that necklace? That must have got under the Fly's skin! He'd give his soul for a chance to make a fool out of Kane! Give him another chance at that necklace and he'll jump at it. I'd bet my life on it!"

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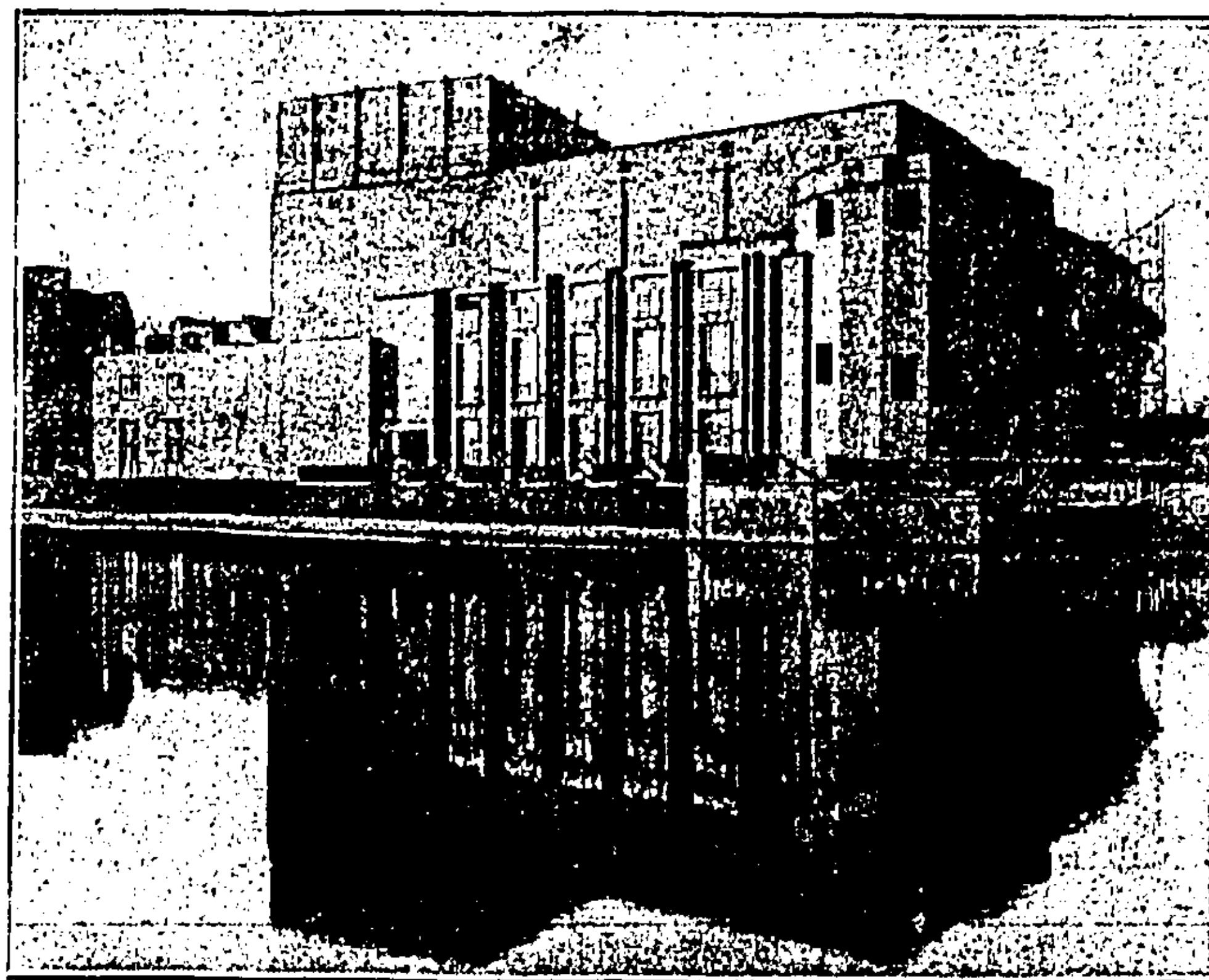
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Mary said, "Listen! I forgot all this. It can't be done. Oh, I wouldn't have them know I talked to you about this for anything in the world—I'd no idea that what you had in mind was anything like this!"

Bowen looked dashed. He spread his hands despairingly.

"Good Lord! It's safe as a church! Where'll you be if he comes when you're not looking for him? That octogenarian butler'll handle him. I suppose! And he'll come. What's he hanging around New York for? He hasn't been near the track and his horse is racing at Belmont tomorrow. I'm positive he



A view from the banks of the Avon at Stratford showing the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre, which is rapidly nearing completion.—(Times copyright).

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doesn't know he's under suspicion. As a matter of fact he isn't, except by you and me and who else have you told?"

"Mr. Jupiter. And Dirk. And Spence. Oh, how stupid of me! I forgot to tell you—" She recounted rapidly the story of the butler's encounter with the mysterious "gate-crashing" stranger that night Mrs. Jupiter was killed, and the strange coincidence of the coat.

Bowen seemed electrified at the news.

"There's identification, when we need it!" he exclaimed gleefully. "Of course, it would still be purely circumstantial, but the fact—that the Fly was on the premises that night—will go far toward hanging him. We've almost got a case! Almost!"

Mary's nerves gave way, and she clung to his hands in sudden panic.

"Oh, let's call the police! I'd feel better if he was behind bars!"

Bowen looked at her somberly. When he spoke again he had toyed with the idea and rejected it for cause. But perhaps, for her sake, it would be best.

"It wouldn't be easy, though," he said. "There'd be a shoot-out, and somebody would get hurt. Why? Because you can burn in this state for one murder, and he's got two to answer for. Even if they took him, he might stay in jail and he might not. He'd never confess. He'd brazen it out. He knows he can beat the rap if he keeps his mouth shut. And once he knows we're onto him, every other way is closed to us. We'd have to convict him in court, or let him go. If he got off free, you'd have to accept the fact—and like it. There wouldn't be anything more you could do."

Mary began reluctantly to feel the strength of his reasoning.

"But he may get away anyhow," she faltered.

"Sure. Maybe. But there are more powerful chains than the ones you see sometimes. Pride

revenge. Cupidity. Rank, stupid vanity. If we try, we can make him want to stick around. He won't run away. On the contrary, we won't be able to shake him. If he acts on his own initiative, he'll have the advantage of us. surprise us. But if he acts when we choose, we'll be ready for him. Ever hear of strategy?" He took a small dog-eared dictionary from his pocket and read: "Stratagem; a manoeuvre designed to deceive or outwit an enemy in war; hence, any device for obtaining advantage."

The girl's eyes were soft, gentle, as they rested on him. There was something endearing about his very earnestness.

"You're funny," she said gently. "You sound—wise. I hope you are."

He put the book back in his pocket with a flourish.

"I hope to tell you I am! Listen to me, girl, could you beg, borrow or steal that necklace for one evening?"

It took her breath away.

"Oh, I don't think so!" she gasped. "What for, for heaven's sake!"

"I'd like to rub his nose in it. I'd be like a red flag to a bull. He wants it, but we've got to make him want it right now! Tantalize him into action before he has time to plan."

"What do you want me to do?" Mary asked in a small voice. "Wear it where he can see it?"

He nodded. "Let him sniff blood, and then you could run home quick with the necklace, and that would be enough. You'd be protected every step of the way. You'd have as big a bodyguard as Jack Diamond. There'd be plainclothesmen all over the place, in case anybody made a false move."

"Oh, but that would be insane!" To take such a chance with that many thousands of dollars around my neck! I'd die of worry. And what if I lost it, or it was stolen?"

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The Committee regret to announce that, under medical advice, they have decided to cancel the New Year Ball arranged for Thursday, 31st December, at the Peak Club.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

In accordance with Government Ordinance, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public business on Friday and Saturday, the 1st and 2nd January, 1932. (New Year Holidays).
 Hongkong, 28th December, 1931.

NOTICE.

Come to the Kowloon Football Club New Year's Day Charity Festival at 11 a.m.
 Married versus Singles Football Match.
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 Motor Cycle Football Match.
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NOTICE.

A Draw for a Number of Greyhounds will be held at the Office of the Club, 19, Avenida Almeida Ribeiro, Macau, at an early date.

These Greyhounds will be sold to members at \$300 each and are eligible for racing at the Club's 'Green Island' Track, Macau.

Members wishing to participate are invited to send in their Names, accompanied with a deposit of \$300 in respect of each dog applied for, as soon as possible.

Names will be booked in the order as received.

Those wishing to participate in the above drawing and are non-members are cordially invited to apply for membership, also at the same address or at the office of the Company, Chung Tin Building, Hongkong.

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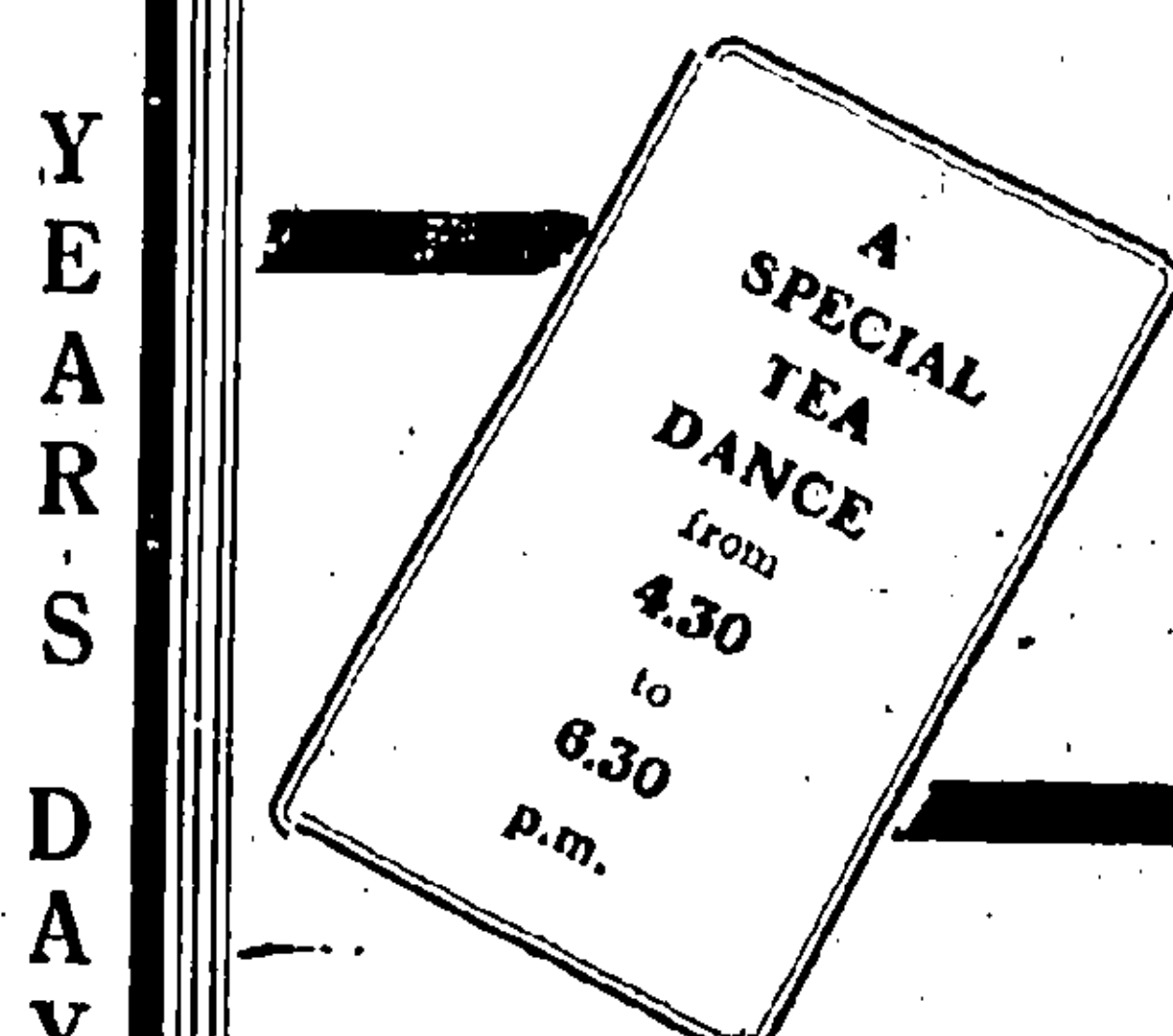
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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 4th day of January, 1932, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898 with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

BY VIRTUE of the authority vested in them by Ordinary Resolution of the Company passed by Shareholders at an Extraordinary Meeting held on 1st December, 1931, the Directors of the Company have decided to offer to Shareholders Additional Shares in the proportion of one Additional Share of the nominal value of \$5 for every five Shares of which they are the registered holders on 9th January, 1932.

Such Additional Shares will be issued at par. The full nominal amount of \$5 per share will be payable on acceptance of the offer on or before 1st February, 1932, in the case of shareholders whose Registered Address is in the Colony of Hongkong. In the case of shareholders whose registered address is outside the Colony of Hong Kong, the date for payment will be 1st April, 1932.

The Transfer Books will be closed from 2nd January, 1932, to 9th January, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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 Hongkong, 3rd December, 1931.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
 Hongkong Bank, \$1475 n.
 Chartered Bank, \$1074 n.
 Mercantile A. and B., \$17½ n.
 East Asia, \$128 n.
Insurance.
 Canton Ins., \$1450 n.
 Union Ins., \$420 n.
 China Underwriters, \$430 n.
 China Fire, \$950 n.
 H. K. Fire Ins., \$1450 n.
Shipping.
 Douglas, \$25 n.
 H. K. Steamships, \$24 b.
 Indo-China, (Prof.) \$25 n.
 Union Waterboats, \$25 n.
Mining.
 Benguet, \$10½ n.
 Kallang, 27/6 n.
 S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.70 n.
 Raubs, \$40 n.
Stocks, etc.
 Kowloon Wharves, \$154 b.
 Whampoa Dock, \$29 n.
 South China Motors \$10 n.
 Providents (old) \$5.25 b.
 Hongkew, Tls. 220 n.
 New Engineers, Tls. 6½ n.
 Shanghai Dock, Tls. 95 n.
Cottons.
 Ewo Cotton Tls. 16 n.
 S'hai Cotton Tls. 79 n.
 Zoon Sings Tls. 12 n.
Lands, Hotels, etc.
 H. K. S. Hotels (old) \$15.15 b.
 H. K. S. Hotels (new) \$14.75 n.
 H. K. Lands, \$32½ n.
 S'hai Land, Tls. 30 n.
 Humphreys' \$19 n.
 Realities, \$12 b.
Public Utilities.
 Tramways, \$22.15 b.
 Peak Tram, (old), \$16.60 b.
 Star Ferries, \$96½ n.
 China Light, 27.85 n.
 H. K. Electric, \$77½ b.
 Macao Electric, \$23 n.
 Telephones, \$43 n.
 China Buses, Tls. 17.90 n.
 Singapore Tractions, 4/- n.

G. R.

NOTICE.

ARMS LICENCES.

Holders of arms licences are reminded that their licences are due for renewal on 1st January, 1932. A fee of \$10.00 per licence payable in advance will be charged. Licences should call at the Arms Office, Police Headquarters between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily (Sunday and Public Holidays excepted), with their arms and licences before 31st January, 1932. One new passport size photograph is necessary.

E. D. C. WOLFE,
 Inspector General of Police.
 Hongkong, 31st December, 1931.

NOTICE.

You have been WARNED about congregating in the confined spaces but not the OPEN spaces of the KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB.

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 Ropes, 18 n.
Stores, etc.
 Dairy Farms, \$29.10 n.
 Watsons, \$16.85 b.
 Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
 Lane Crawford, \$6.60 n.
 Mackintosh, \$19 n.
 Sincere, \$16½ n.
 Powells, \$3.60 n.
Miscellaneous.
 Amusements, \$19.90 n.
 Constructions, (old) \$5.55 b.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

We beg to announce that from to-day and until further notice, all Milk and Cream sold by us will be Pasteurized and may be consumed as delivered to customers. This step has the full approval of the Medical Officer of Health.

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POST OFFICE NOTICE

NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

On Friday, the 1st January and Saturday the 2nd January, the General Post Office and Branch Post Offices will be open as follows:—

Friday
 General Post Office 8 a.m. to noon
 Kowloon Post Office 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
 Other Branch Post Offices 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.
Saturday
 General Post Office 8 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.
 Kowloon Post Office 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.
 Other Branch Post Offices 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.
 There will be one collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence each day at 9 a.m.
 The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

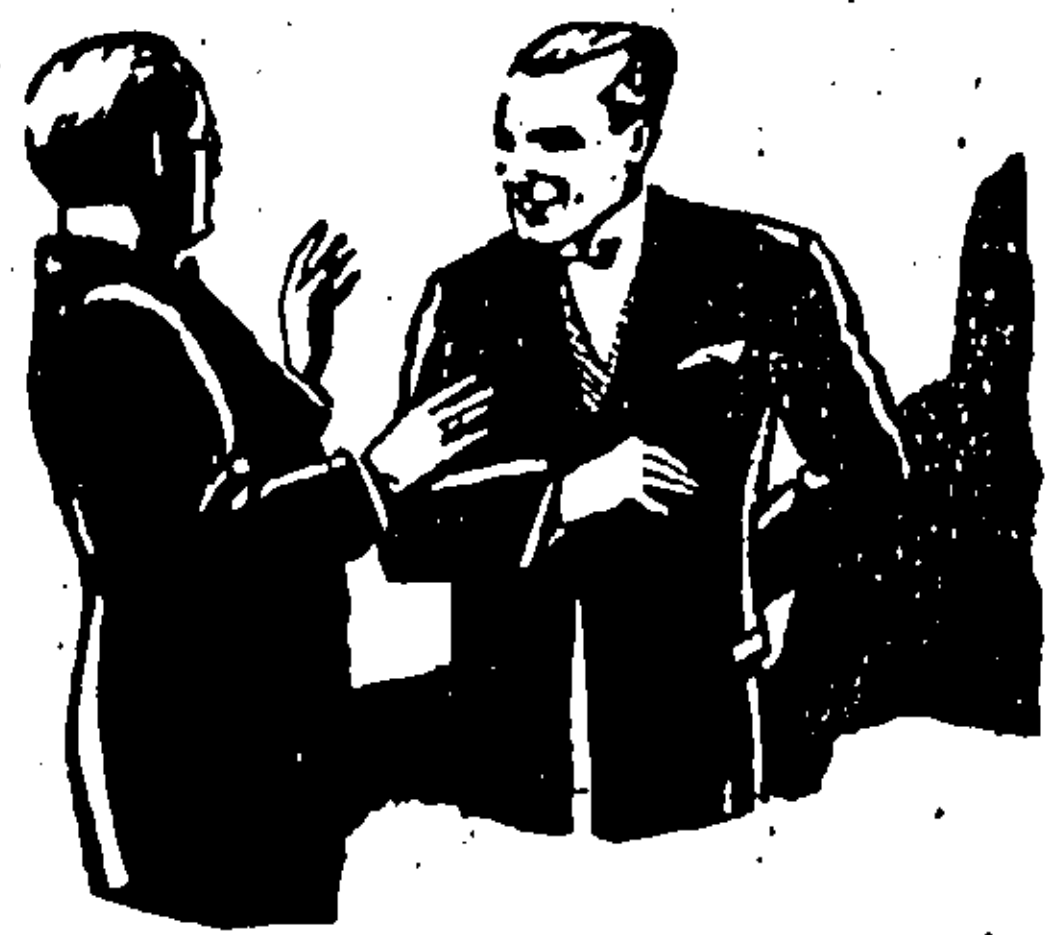
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 Japan Pres. Hoover January 4.
 Japan and Shanghai Brisbane Maru January 4.
 Saigon Sphinx January 5.
 Saigon Chenonceaux January 6.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For
 Samahul and Wuchow Per Chung On Thurs., Dec. 31, 4 p.m.
 Halphong Canton Thurs., Dec. 31, 4.30 p.m.
 Saigon Helkon Thurs., Dec. 31, 4.30 p.m.
 Amoy Talma Thurs., Dec. 31, 5 p.m.
 Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C., and Europe via Siberia Empress of Japan Fri., Jan. 1.
 Saigon Linaria Fri., Jan. 1, Noon.
 Swatow and Bangkok Mainam Fri., Jan. 1, 10.30 a.m.
 Hoihow, Pakhoi and Halphong Kiangchow Fri., Jan. 1, Noon.
 *Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane Nankin Sat., Jan. 2.
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THE CITY HALL.

CONDEMNED AS BEING UNSAFE.

The City Hall, on account of its age, has reached a stage where it will shortly be unsafe for public use, it was learned yesterday.

A report made by the Fire Brigade authorities, together with a confirmatory statement by the architects of City Hall Committee, make it perfectly clear that the building cannot remain in its present state very much longer without extensive changes being put in hand.

It appears that lack of funds necessary to effect the alterations which are demanded, places the City Hall Committee in the position of being unable to carry out the work. At the moment, the Government has the matter in hand, and its decision is being awaited.

Mr. Shenton Explains.

Yesterday, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, a member of the City Hall Committee made an authoritative statement on the subject in the following terms:

"A report having been made by the Fire Authority stating that the building (City Hall) is unsafe, and a danger in the event of fire, the Committee of the City Hall feels it cannot accept the responsibility of having the very considerable repairs carried out."

"The Committee has very limited funds at its disposal which do not allow of it carrying out the extensive alterations, and in the face of the advice received the members of the Committee feel they cannot accept the responsibility of allowing engagements in the City Hall in the near future."

"The matter is before the Government, and we are awaiting the outcome."

Whole Building Concerned.
Asked if the report of the Fire Authorities included the whole of the building, the Hon. Mr. Shenton replied "yes," and said that indications were that both the Museum and the Public Library would be closed in the new year unless, of course, the necessary attention was given to the building.

He agreed that the "Cheero" Y.M.C.A., would also be affected and would almost certainly have to move.

Enquiries made by our representative yesterday elicited the reply from Mrs. L. C. F. Bellamy, Chairman of the Ladies' Committee of the "Cheero" Club, the fact that they had received official intimation to quit at a month's notice. So far as she knew, however, no official notice to move had yet been given.

WEST POINT'S FATE.

COMPLAINT TO CHINESE CHAMBER.

At the monthly meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon the Secretary, Mr. Lee Wen-kam, read letters from the Restaurants' Association, the Shark's Fin Dealers' Association, the Fish and Vegetable Mongers' Association and Mr. Ho Lu protesting against the Government decision for the proscription of prostitution in West Point. The Chairman, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, promised that these letters would be forwarded, as the associations desired, to the Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council with a view to approaching the Government.

The association's and Mr. Ho Lu's letters express unanimous appreciation of the Government's desire to improve morality, but they express doubt over the serious effect which this proscription will have on the restaurants and other trade lines whose business is closely connected with West Point. These letters say that the official decision may even produce immediate effects on the value of house property in West Point, and may throw hundreds of labourers in restaurants out of employment. They appeal to the authorities for a postponement of the proscription, taking into consideration the effect which it may have on trade.

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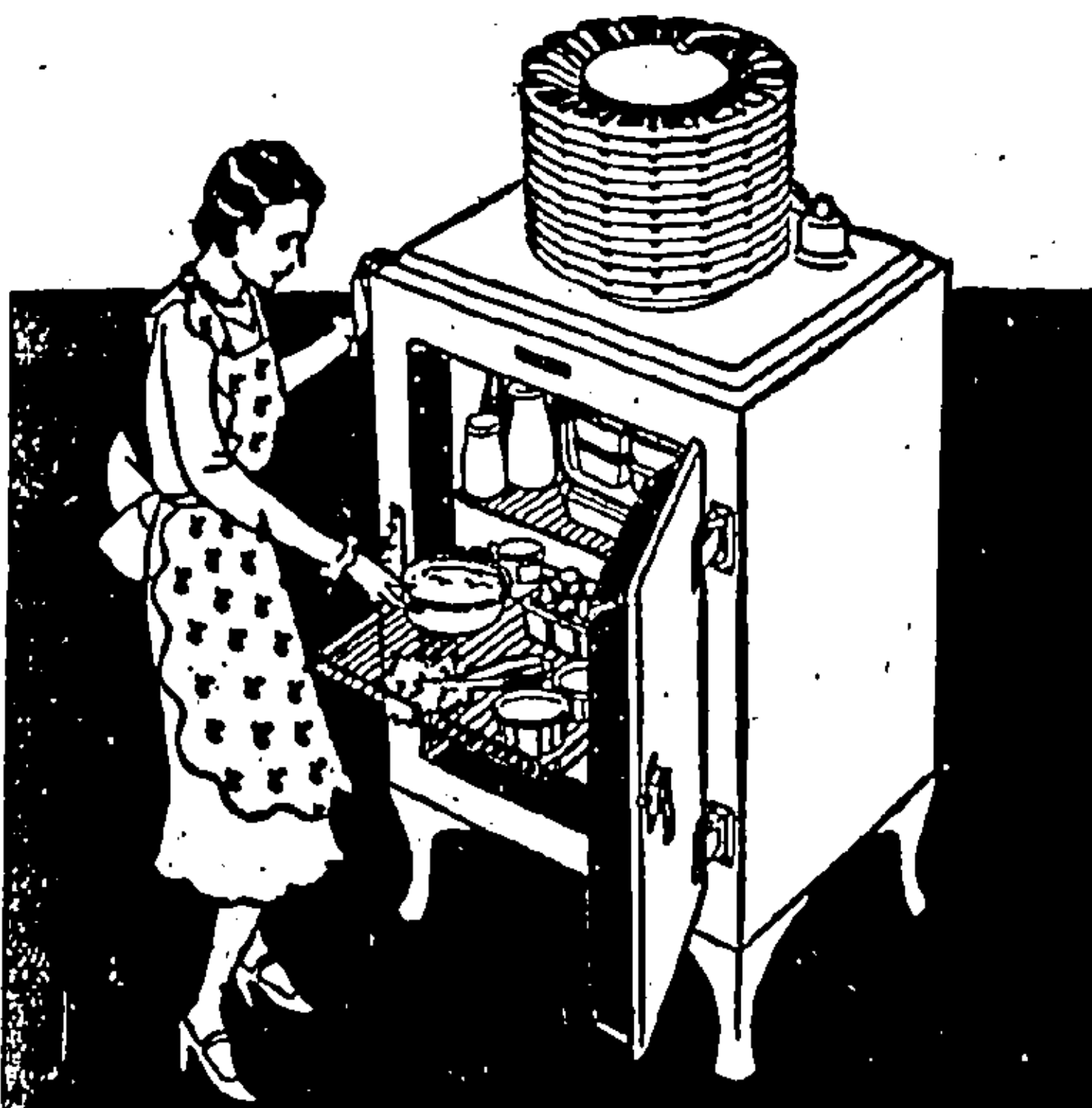
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WEDDING AT MACAO.

MARRIAGE OF HONGKONG MARINE ENGINEER.

Macao, Dec. 28.
A very pretty wedding took place on Sunday, 27th inst., at Macao in the Church of St. Lawrence, when Mr. Alberto de Mello and Miss Anna de Conceicao were married by the Rev. Father Ferreira.

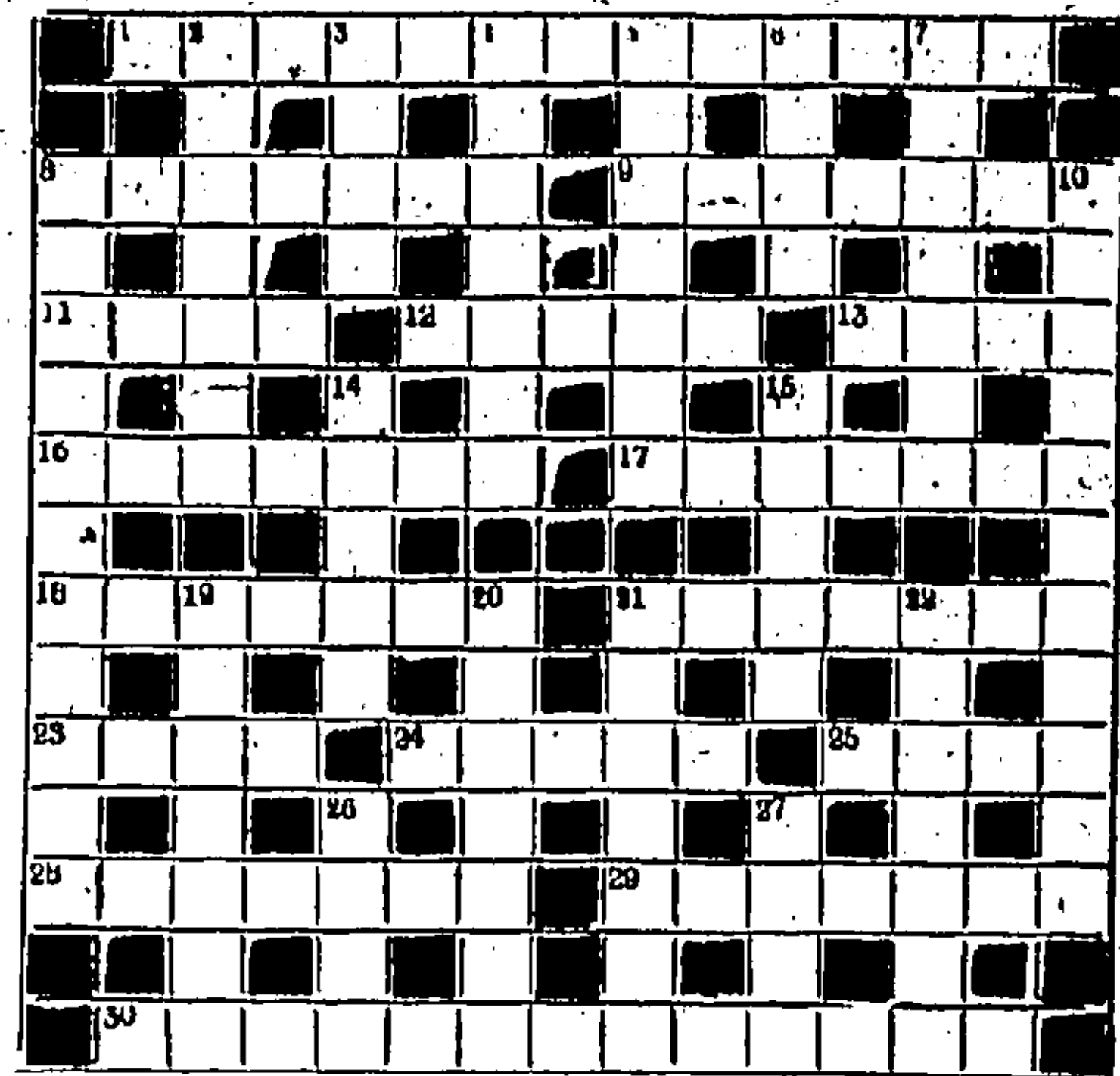
Mr. de Mello, M.B.E., is a son of Mr. A. A. de Mello and Mrs. De

Mello of Macao, and is an engineer in the employ of the Douglas Steamship Company of Hongkong; and Miss Conceicao is the second daughter of Mr. Leopoldo de Conceicao, an employee of the Macao Municipal Council, and Mrs. Conceicao.

Mr. Frank Barnes, of the Singer Sewing Machine Company, of Hongkong, and Mr. L. A. de Mello acted as best men.

Following the wedding, a reception was held at the Macao Club. Our Own Correspondent.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Travelling about.
- 8 Land in this, in a smooth and gentle way.
- 9 One of the knights of Charlemagne.
- 11 Praise this Archbishop.
- 12 A great British industry.
- 13 Scruples about this drink will be quite in order.
- 16 One of the earliest martyrs.
- 17 A good point raised in Wales.
- 18 When the baby does, the centre is of service.
- 21 Apparently the auction-room has a tenant. This is swift indeed.
- 23 Negro surf boat navigator who seems a crew in himself!
- 24 The last man to board the train; he may be very useful after a fire.
- 25 Right in combination.
- 28 Delicately dressed—from her meal, presumably.
- 29 These youngsters are wrapped up in a set of carpenter's tools.
- 30 Cool, calm and collected, I'm able to agitate in another way.

Down

- 2 When studying clues, make certain after a time, and this should be unnecessary.
- 3 A fellow who's always in a whirl.
- 4 Town in Hertfordshire.
- 5 Like "granfer's" Sunday hat: and though you see a famous city there's no need to die.
- 6 High, undoubtedly, but the lot soon comes to an end.

- 7 Two reds, a plain and a mixed, are regulated but there's nothing in it.
- 8 Prosecution stares him in the face almost everywhere.
- 10 "No man is on it" at a General Election (anag.).
- 14 Its queen visited the son of David's—
- 15 This.
- 19 In putting down this flower a certain loss is incurred.
- 20 Collar work is indicated by the entry of this scholar.
- 21 Sailor.
- 22 Milky.
- 26 Behold a Norse god in comfort.
- 27 Samoan town.

Yesterday's solution.

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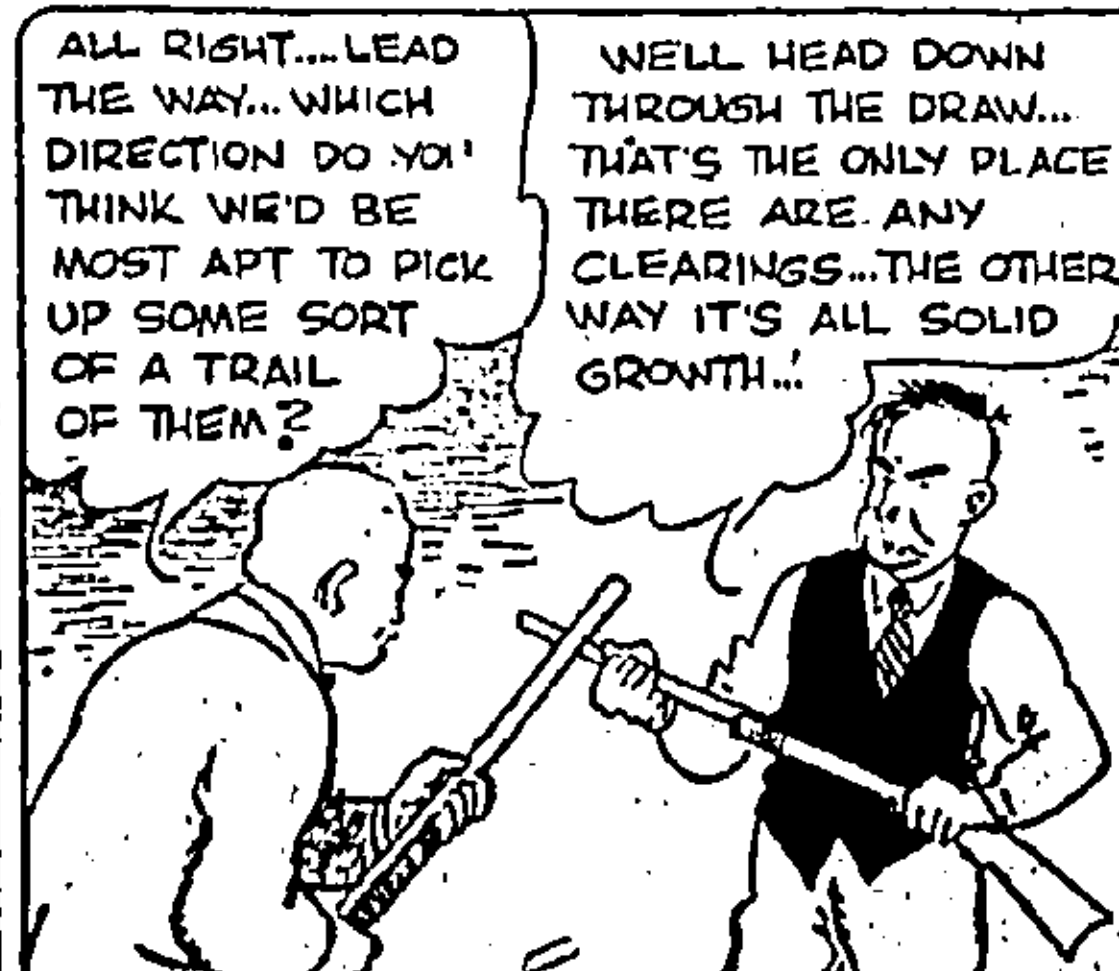
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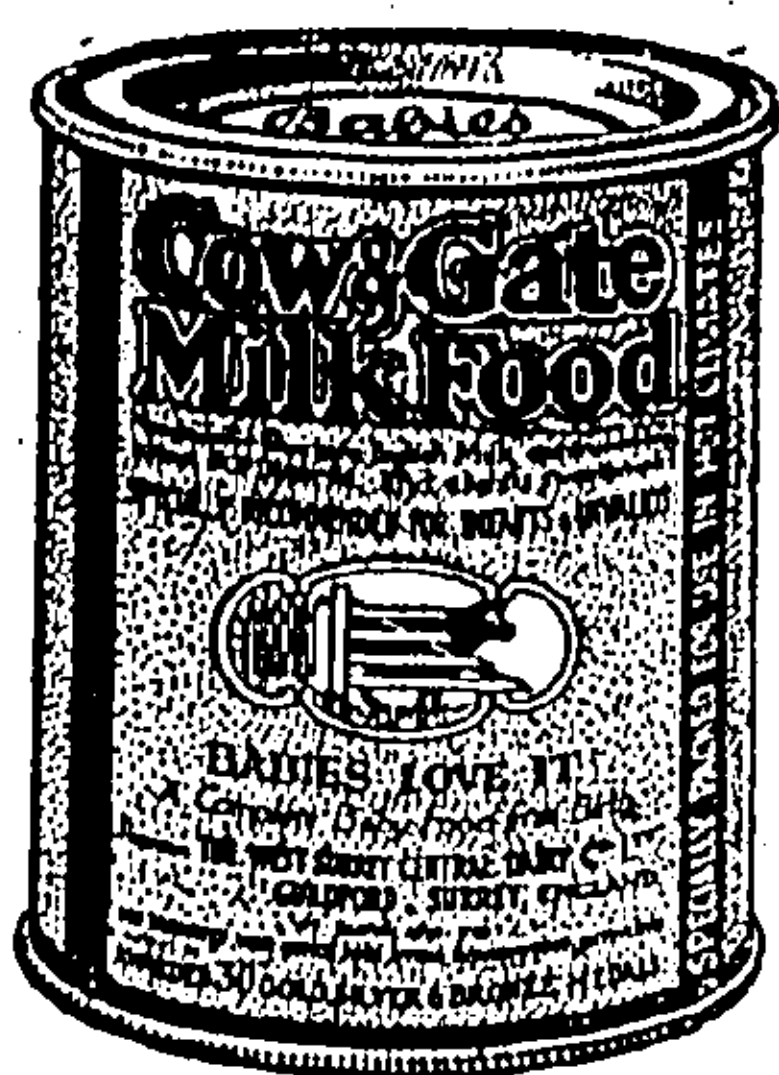
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The family of the late Mrs. Suey L. O'Hoy tender sincere thanks to their relatives and friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy in their recent bereavement, also for floral tributes sent and attendance at the funeral.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1931.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Whilst we are among those who believe that there is need for a sanatorium in this Colony, there can be no disputing the submission made by His Excellency the Governor that the most effective means of dealing with the tuberculosis problem is by way of housing reform and efforts which aim at making people live according to more sanitary problems. This, however, is a herculean task, which, as His Excellency says, must take time. At the present moment, there are about fifty deaths per week attributable to tuberculosis, a truly terrible toll. The worst feature is that there is very little done in the way of providing special facilities for the treatment of sufferers, and, as a result, the disease goes largely unchecked. The new wards just opened at the Kwong Wah Hospital represent a step in the right direction, and their provision is a development on which all concerned are to be commended. It will be realised, however, that such efforts can only touch the fringe of the problem; we shall need to go to the root of things if we wish to make any real impression.

Meanwhile, we have existing conditions to face, and it is because there is no immediate prospect of widespread preventive measures being taken that we feel something could be done to alleviate the sufferings of those who are stricken and to reduce the heavy death-roll from the disease. It is true, as His Excellency says, that in the East sufferers are reluctant to go into sanatoria, until the disease has gone so far that cure is impossible; that will also be the case, to some extent, where special wards are provided in existing hospitals. Yet we do know that in several Eastern centres a very good work is being done by sanatoria. Even if most of the cases handled fail to respond to treatment, there are some in which cures are recorded. To that extent, the system is of value. Moreover, in these institutions the patients receive invaluable advice regarding their future mode of life, and, by

example, get to appreciate the benefits of fresh air and hygienic methods of living. The experience thus gained is also passed on to others, so that it is cumulative in its effects. In short, it is better to have some special institution for the care of sufferers rather than to let the scourge take its own course in the worst possible surroundings. There can be no doubt that in Hongkong the main cause of tuberculosis is the overcrowding which is to be found in the slum districts, with the expectation habit also a big factor in the spread of the disease. It is satisfactory to know that at long last some effort is being made to deal with this latter evil. On the large issue, the greatly needed reconstruction of the town, natural developments are gradually taking place which must eventually have a beneficial effect. With the development of big new areas in Kowloon and elsewhere, people are slowly moving, out of the congested areas, but the process is likely to be a protracted one. Without a doubt, much of the existing old property should be condemned as uninhabitable, but if this were to be seriously undertaken, it would mean demolishing a great part of the city. We should like to feel, however, that the Government is fully alive to the urgency of this overcrowding problem, for so long as it goes untouched, so long will the predisposing cause of tuberculosis remain. Poverty and economics admittedly enter into the matter, thus complicating the issue. But sooner or later the issue must be seriously faced.

Empire Broadcasting.

From the moment when trans-oceanic short-wave telephony became even an experimental possibility, the idea of regular "Empire broadcasting" has naturally had a considerable fascination for eager and progressive minds. Such minds have long been wondering why their dream is not already an accomplished fact, and are apt to think that, but for the lethargy and conservatism of those responsible for development, it would have become so. Actually, there has been an evolution, not less of ideas than of technique, in the intervening five years. Technically, the scraps of transoceanic conversation achieved in delight and triumph by professional and amateur experts, have developed into a reasonably, though not entirely, steady "service" of commercial telephony over certain routes. Great public departments, corporations and companies have spent large sums not only on experimental, but on "service" installations. Once this stage had been reached, it was an obvious and necessary step for broadcasters and Governments to study the possibilities of the short wave as the carrier of programme services for the world. Until then, then necessity not only was not obvious, but did not even exist. For, if one looks back on the history of this development, one finds that until recently the real driving forces in it were commercial telephony and "amateur" interest. "Programmes," consisting of occasional performances, gramophone records, and relays of ordinary broadcast matter naturally replaced casual conversation, and the reading of test pieces, at an early stage, but they were only incidental to the scientific development. It is only in the last two years (or at most three) that organisations concerned with giving programme services, and nothing else, have seriously taken up short-wave work. Even to-day, no short-wave station has, as such, become a member of the International Broadcasting Union, and at this very moment, one of the great American stations, which has been known all over the world for years, is applying for the first time for a normal broadcasting licence. These facts—which are certainly not appreciated in the radio world as they should be—suffice to demonstrate that world-wide broadcasting presents problems of very real complexity both technical and general. On the other hand, the fact that all the important broadcasting organisations have now—simultaneously and almost suddenly—extended into this field, can only signify

DAY BY DAY

THE FIRST REQUISITE TO SUCCESS
IN LIFE IS TO BE A GOOD ANIMAL—
Herbert Spencer.

The next issue of the *Telegraph* will be on Saturday. We take this opportunity of wishing our readers a Happy New Year.

A painter named Chau Yam-cheung, aged 38, of 5, Wellington Street, has been admitted to the Government Hospital suffering from crushed fingers received whilst at work.

Suffering from the effects of an overdose of Adalin, Lai Sing-cheung, aged 57, of 18A Aberdeen Street, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday in an unconscious condition.

Alleged to have been run over by a hand truck, a small girl, Kwai Ngai-kin, of 4, Tai Wong Street, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from crushed toes. It was stated that the mishap occurred in Stanley Street.

Injuries to his body were received by Wong Ng, a coolie, of 20, Matau-wai Road, whilst at work at the Green Island Cement Company early this morning. The man was crushed against a wall through a wire rope of a life breaking. The man was removed to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

The many friends of Mr. D. O. de Silva will be interested to hear that he is returning to the Colony to take up work as Agent for the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada. Mr. de Silva has been in England for over four years, and whilst at home he has given numerous lectures on travel subjects.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., advertising that during the New Year Holidays the Company Offices and all departments will be closed. On Friday, January 1 and Saturday, January 2, the Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department, will be open for dispensing prescriptions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

Under the pretext that they had a present for the occupier of the house, four men armed with daggers were admitted to the first floor of 13, Upper Lascar Row, yesterday morning. After a short conversation with the occupier's wife, who was on the floor with two servants, the men produced daggers and, after blinding and gagging the inmates, stole valuables amounting to \$65.

The forthcoming weddings are announced of Mr. Charles David Bolton, insurance manager, of 6, Hongkong Road, Shanghai, and Miss Dora Kathleen Dorell, nursing sister of the General Hospital, Johore Bahru, Malaya; Mr. Stanley Oswald Gregory, bookseller, of 15A, Macdonell Road, Hongkong, and Miss Dorothy Priestly, school mistress of 47, Swains Lane, London; Mr. Antonio Carlos Neves, clerk, of 60, Robinson Road, Hongkong, and Miss Sophia Mohamed Alarasia, of the same address.

that the situation is ripe for at least the beginnings of true overseas broadcasting. Experiments carried out in recent months have had satisfactory results and the B.B.C. are now definitely committed to the construction of a powerful station at Daventry. The station will probably be placed in active service before the end of the coming year. The service will deal with news and national events—ceremonial, historic and sporting, and should serve not only to stir the "exile's" imagination, but create a new demand for wireless in the Colonies.



"Now here's where Parliament disagrees with me."

CAN SCIENCE GIVE MORE SENSES?

By PROFESSOR A. M. LOW.

THAT science can give us more sense is an established fact, but that science can give human beings more senses may well sound improbable. Yet on a small scale science has already given men and women sight, and more recently, hearing.

It is many years now since opticians discovered that by pinning suitable lenses in front of eyes that for one reason or another were deficient, it was possible to give the sufferer the equivalent of almost perfect sight. The boon of glasses to short-sighted people is too obvious to need emphasis. Without sight there cannot be a developed brain, since so many of our impressions depend upon light. It is probable that in the near future science will give mankind an even greater gift that will make glasses a thing of the past.

A German scientist has already performed, with moderate success, an operation upon the lens of the eye, correcting its shape, so that a short-sighted person was given normal vision. In the future this operation may be generally carried out, with the consequent disappearance of a great deal of disfigurement and discomfort. To those who have lost their sense of hearing science is also offering a mechanical cure. Satisfactory mechanical methods of aiding the affected ear in its task of receiving sound sensations and transmitting them to the brain have been discovered.

Advantage of Being Deaf.

Wireless has proved of little use because of the weight of the apparatus, but valve amplifiers are used in churches although skilled attention is necessary to maintain them. The most satisfactory method of giving hearing to the deaf has been found to be micro-magnification, and the instruments, of which many kinds are made, are really spectacles for the ears.

The deaf have now actually one advantage over those with perfect hearing, for they need only hear what they require. When a friend asked Edison, the great inventor, if he did not find his deafness a handicap, he replied, "On the contrary, it probably is one of my secrets of success. I do not waste time talking, and I can think quietly in spite of noise about me."

Coming from the inventor of the gramophone, this statement was remarkable. I think it far from improbable that in the future men and women will be equipped with apparatus to eliminate unnecessary sounds so that they need listen only when they so desire.

It is quite important to health to-day that we should be able to select the good from the medley of unnecessary uproar which so many people seem to think essential to their success.

In many ways it is fortunate that, with increasing sensitivity of the mind, we have suffered atrophy in our animal perceptions. The brains of a man and the ears of a bird would be a most cruel combination.

Scientific aids to seeing and hearing have become necessary with the march of civilisation. In

time we shall, no doubt, require scientific aids to tasting and smelling, although the number of important sensations we receive through the nose and mouth are comparatively small.

Can science go still further and give us senses of which we have at the moment little or no knowledge?

What is the mysterious sense which enables two people to find pleasure in each other's company, even when they do not talk? Is it the same sense which seems to enable some people to have knowledge that danger is near, or that someone is present in the room, although they cannot see or hear them?

Experiments have shown that these senses are probably due to oscillations—like those of light and hearing—although how these movements are set up and received is still a mystery.

Everyday Telepathy.

Great strides have been made in the investigation of telepathy, although sufficient is not shown of the subject yet to justify its being called a science. No one can reasonably doubt that in the future we shall understand these mysterious forces, or even that telepathy may become the ordinary method of communication.

The arrangement by which we have to put an idea into words and then agitate our throat, mouth, and tongue before it can be conveyed to another, is exceedingly clumsy. Telepathy would be as a great boon to those who wish to think as deafness, without its accompanying disadvantages, for there would seemingly be no great difficulty in designing a helmet which would prevent the wearer from receiving telepathic impressions until it was "switched on."

The "sixth sense" of which we speak to-day is probably a combination of many things, and in the course of time it may well become highly developed, possibly by mechanical devices, in much the same way as our ears and eyes are aided at present.

The man of the future will certainly demand more impressions in order to receive pleasure. His pictures will be three-dimensional, and accompanied not only by sound, but also by smell. It is already known that taste can play a big part in the enjoyment of an entertainment!

The fullness with which life is lived and enjoyed depends largely upon the nature and number of sensations received. The man who keeps his eyes and ears open obviously knows a great deal more than his friend who looks without seeing and hears without perceiving.

We shall probably come to value the additional senses given to us by science all the more because of that of hearing, which is so acute in animals and savages, is gradually being atrophied.

Is it not true that even to-day we cannot appreciate the rhythm of the forest dance unless an appeal is made by sight and sound to the preliminary bodily contortions which produce the mental anesthesia of delight?

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR HOLIDAYS.

The starting times on the Old Course to-morrow are:
9.10-9.20 a.m. Not to be booked by those travelling by 8.23 a.m. train.

9.24 I. H. Geare, L. R. Andrews.
9.28 O. E. C. Marton, E. O. Priestley.
9.32 H. R. Sturt, A. O. Brown.
9.36 A. Sommerfeld, G. W. Sewell.
The first two pairs on Old Course after arrival of the 8.23 a.m. train should get their clubs and then get their caddies from the Superintendent.

SATURDAY.

New Course.

9.28 Mrs. Cassidy, Mrs. Stewart.
9.36 J. P. Sherry, Mrs. Sherry.
9.44 W. A. Stewart, S. S. Cook.

Old Course.

9.10-9.20 Not to be booked by players travelling on 8.23 a.m. train.
9.24 A. D. Humphreys, D. G. Bruce.
9.28 W. A. Weight, H. A. Mills.
9.32 M. H. Turner, F. A. Redmond.
9.36 R. E. Dowler, G. E. R. Divett.
9.40 P. S. Cassidy, A. D. Stewart.
9.44 C. H. Bond, W. Woodward.
9.52 I. H. Geare, C. O. Stark.
9.56 S. T. Butlin, N. K. Littlejohn.
10.00 L. Goldman, D. F. C. Cleland.
10.04 G. T. May, S. E. Waller.
The first two pairs on Old Course after the arrival of 8.23 a.m. train should get their clubs and then get their caddies from the Superintendent.

HAIPHONG GAOL
REVOLT.TROOPS FORCED TO
USE BAYONETS.

REBELS KILLED.

On the eve of their deportation to the convict island of Poulo Condor, a number of political offenders sentenced by the Revolutionary Tribunal at Hanoi to long terms of exile and forced labour, and who were lodged for the time being in the main prison at Haiphong, recently revolted, in an apparent attempt to break out of confinement.

The plot appears to have been realised by the authorities some-what too late, although they should have been warned by an almost impossible escape effected two days previously by an important prisoner, Nguyen Thi Long, a revolutionary leader who had been sentenced to 20 years' hard labour and who was awaiting his deportation with a batch of about 60 others.

In the course of a desperate struggle when the military had to be called in, four of the rebels were killed and a dozen others wounded, eight seriously. The military casualties were negligible, these being confined to one wounded and others merely suffering from contusions.

Big Penal Settlement.

The island of Poulo Condor, whither the condemned men were to have been deported, is a penal settlement ten miles in length and some five miles broad at its widest, situated in the South China Sea, about 80 miles distant from the nearest point on the Indo-China coast.

With New Caledonia and the New Hebrides in the South Seas, it receives the overflow from the political prison at Haiphong, recalled as the storm centre of the 1918 revolt, and lately again coming into attention by reason of renewed disorders in Tonkin. Within the last year these had been periodical deportations of convicted political offenders to Poulo Condor, and it is estimated that the population of the penal settlement, which in some respects, is like Devil's Island, has been swollen as a result by some 2,000 new-arrivals of both sexes.

Conspiracy Discovered.

Coming to the latest incident, which occurred on the 22nd inst., a conspiracy amongst the prisoners awaiting their deportation into exile and forced labour was discovered, pointing to the escape of the revolutionary leader, Nguyen Thi Long, having been facilitated by his comrades.

Within the two days intervening between the escape and the conclusions of the Commission investigating the incident, the prisoners, sixty in number, who in all cases were facing the prospect of a long and unattractive sojourn on the dreaded convict island, had had sufficient time to formulate some course for concerted action.

This became apparent when the warders were attempting to put into execution an order from the French Mayor of the prison, requiring as a measure of prudence and safety, that the prisoners be isolated and kept apart.

As the warders approached the large ward in which the 60 men were confined, they were greeted with insults, taunts and menaces by a body of mutineers who, by their disposition, made it plain that they intended to resist to the utmost.

Men Infuriated.

A fire-pump was brought into requisition and the inmates liberally doused with cold water, but far from securing the desired results, it had an opposite effect, that of making them even more infuriated. Looking around for a means of retaliation, and discovering none, they commenced to break up their camp-beds and, with the iron fastenings and broken pieces, attempted to demolish the grill and its fastenings.

A general alarm was sounded within the prison, and the prison staff, called to the scene, found themselves helpless and unable to cope with a situation which was rapidly getting out of hand. Summoned urgently in his turn, the Mayor appealed to the military for assistance, and an emergency detachment, patrolling the immediate vicinity, was the first to reach the scene.

The military issued orders and exhortations, but these fell on deaf ears. The uproar redoubled, and, finally, the soldiers forced an entry into the ward, carrying their arms but without cartridges. They were instantly engaged by the mutineers in a desperate struggle, and were finally driven back.

Firearms Used.

Matters by this time had assumed such a serious complexion, with the disaffection threatening to spread to other parts of the prison,

OBITUARY.

MOTHER OF MR. KAN OF
NANYANG BROS.

The funeral of Mrs. Kan Au-tze, the mother of Mr. Kan Hing-choo, of the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Company, who died some weeks ago at her residence in Happy Valley, took place yesterday afternoon, when the long funeral procession was followed by hundreds of the female workers of the Nanyang factories and relatives and friends of the deceased. It took about an hour to pass. The funeral attracted much attention.

A most respected lady in Chinese circles, Mrs. Kan Au-tze had been a resident in Hongkong for many years. She is survived by her son and grandsons and six great-grandsons. She was eighty years of age.

Hundreds of prominent members of the Chinese community assembled at the Yat Pit Ting in Kennedy Town yesterday afternoon to pay their last respects to the deceased lady. Hundreds of wreaths were sent by relatives and friends.

Dr. Silva Mendes.

Macao, Dec. 30. The death occurred this morning of Dr. Silva Mendes, one of the most distinguished lawyers in Macao, and a writer of considerable distinction.

Born in Portugal, Dr. Silva Mendes came to Macao shortly after taking his degree as a bachelor in laws, and has practised in Macao for many years. He had a reputation as a good lawyer, and was also distinguished for many works on Chinese law and literature, his books including such subjects as Chinese religion and practices.

He was also an ardent collector of Chinese curios, and leaves a fine collection of porcelain and paintings.

An admirer of the work of George Chiniquy, he acquired some of the works of this Irish painter who lived and died in Macao.

Dr. Silva Mendes is survived by his widow and an only daughter.—Our Own Correspondent.

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE
"TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended December 31st, 1910.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 10.3/16d.

The Hongkong Cricket Club defeated the United Services by four wickets, thanks mainly to the fine batting of R. Hancock, who scored 176 not out.

The death occurred of Mr. L. A. Musso, one of the Colony's oldest residents.

The annual Police Ball, held at the City Hall, was a great success.

The Colony's credit balance at the end of October was \$143,789, the revenue during the month being \$780,516 and the expenditure \$767,503.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Monday.	Wednesday.
Paris	87 1/2	86 3/4
Geneva	17.60	17.71
Berlin	14.7/16	14.7/16
Oslo	18 1/2	18 1/2
Helsingfors	227 1/2	240
Athens	260	255
Buenos Aires	40 1/2	40 1/2
Shanghai	1/13 1/2	1/13 1/2
New York	3.43 1/2	3.43 1/2
Amsterdam	8 1/2	8 1/2
Vienna	29 1/2	29 1/2
Madrid	40.7/16	40 1/2
Bucharest	570	570
Hongkong	1/5 1/2	1/5 1/2
Brussels	24.3/4	24.3/4
Milan	63.1/2	63.1/2
Copenhagen	17.15/16	18.1/16
Prague	115 1/2	114 1/2
Lisbon	109 1/2	109 1/2
Bombay	4 1/2	4 1/2
Yokohama	1/6.5/32	1/6.5/32
Montevideo	31 1/2	31 1/2
Montreal	4.20	4.15 1/2
Silver (spot)	20	20
(forward) 20.3/16	20 1/2	20 1/2

—British Wireless.

that, in order to avoid a possibly tragic development, the Commandant of the military detachment was led to demand from the Mayor an authorisation to use arms.

After having gone to the last limits of patience, it is said, and when the necessity for the employment of arms had become unavoidable—a number of soldiers having already been injured—the members of the detachment were issued with ammunition, and forming up before the entrance to the ward, fired several shots into the air. In face of what they took to be hesitation, the prisoners attacked vigorously and were already upon the troops when the latter resorted to use of their bayonets.

A furious melee resulted, with the troops gradually regaining the upper hand. When the struggle ended, four of the mutineers had been killed, and a dozen wounded, eight seriously. One soldier was wounded, gravely enough to require his admittance into hospital, while others suffered only contusions.

CARSTAIRS DEATH
INQUIRY.JURY RETURNS OPEN
VERDICT.

LACK OF EVIDENCE.

The inquiry into the circumstances attending the death of Mr. Douglas Carstairs, who was found dead in bed with a stab wound on the morning of May 21 of this year, came to an end at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon when the jury returned an open verdict.

The jury empanelled were Mr. A. D. Humphreys (foreman), Mr. J. M. N. da Silva and Mr. Tam Keng-koon.

Ng Chau-hung, the amah employed by Mr. Carstairs at the time of his death, was the first witness heard yesterday. She stated that she occupied a room in the servants' quarters at the back of the house. She went to bed at midnight on the evening of May 20, and knew that her master had a party in the house that evening. Witness very seldom saw the master, in fact she had only seen him once when he was alive.

On the morning of May 21, she got up at about 7 a.m., and went out to make some purchases, returning at about 8 a.m. She waited for the master to get up but after a while began to wonder whether he was in the house. Accordingly she went up to the roof from where she could see into the master's bedroom and saw him lying in bed. There was nothing about his appearance to make her think that there was anything unusual. The telephone bell rang at about 10 a.m. but the master did not get up to answer it.

Continuing, witness said the "boy" went to look for the lady next door at about 11 a.m., and as a result, the lady went up to Mr. Carstairs' flat and called for her

"TELEGRAPH" ART
SUPPLEMENT.Numerous Pictures
on Saturday.

There will be numerous pictures of topical interest in Saturday's issue of the Telegraph Pictorial Supplement.

Amongst the sporting events illustrated will be the football matches Portugal v. Wales, and England v. Scotland; the weight-lifting contests at Happy Valley on Sunday; the Craigkower children's sports, and the opening of the Civil Service Cricket Club's new pavilion.

Groups will appear taken at the weddings of Mr. L. E. Noronha and Miss A. M. Basto, and of Mr. C. V. Marques and Miss A. A. Branchao; while scenes from the St. John's Cathedral Christmas Play will also be reproduced.

master. Witness followed and found that the master was dead. After this discovery, she did not notice if anything was missing from the flat.

Questioned by Detective Inspector Elston, witness said she had a visitor on the evening of May 20. This visitor, a woman, stayed overnight and did not leave until the next morning. She (the visitor) was now in the country.

Open Door.

Tam Kwei, a clerk working in the N.A.A.F.I., testified that on the morning of May 21, he went to No. 2 Luna Building, the residence of deceased, between 8 and 9 a.m. to get orders from Mr. Carstairs. He rang the bell but nobody answered. He did that about four times but nobody came to the door. He waited for about a quarter of an hour, at the end of which time, he left thinking that there were no orders for him. The door of the flat was open at the time. He had never seen it like that before, but there had been times when nobody answered the door bell when he rang, in which event he would go away.

Dinner Party.

Evidence concerning the party given by the deceased on the evening of May 20 was supplied by Mr. V. Sandeford, who was one of the four who had dinner with Mr. Carstairs and later took part in a game of bridge. Mr. Sandeford deposed that he had been on very friendly terms with Mr. Carstairs since the latter's arrival in the Colony. Witness had known deceased for about three years, having met him previously at Mesopotamia. He arrived at Mr. Carstairs' flat at about 8 p.m. and was received by the deceased himself. Deceased looked his usual self and there was nothing unusual about him. The party had a cocktail before dinner and had a few drinks afterwards. Witness left the flat at about 10.30 a.m., at which time deceased was sober.

Mrs. Miller, who lived at No. 4 Luna Building, said she knew deceased well. She met him about a year ago. She lived next door but one to him and he was in the habit of visiting her and her husband quite often. They quite frequently had dinner with him.

On the afternoon of May 20, deceased complained of not feeling well and said he had an attack of malaria. He visited witness again that day at about 7.30 p.m. and seemed to be all right.

Found Him Dead.

On the morning of May 21, the "boy" called her at about 10.45 a.m. and said the master had locked the door and that he could not get in. She went to the front door which she found to be open and entered the flat. She called out the name of the deceased a few times but received no response. She waited outside the bedroom while the "boy" took the morning papers into the bedroom. He returned a few minutes later and said the master was dead. She sent him back into the room to have another look and when he returned, he reiterated that the master was dead. She went to see for herself and found that Mr. Carstairs was really dead.

Earlier that morning, at about 9.45, she had been to the flat of the deceased to use the telephone. The door then was open. She had never seen the door like that before.

Nothing Disturbed.

Detective Inspector A. H. Elston said that on the morning of May 21, at about 11.45 a.m., he received a telephone message, and went to Luna Building. On the first floor of the No. 2 house, he found the last witness (Mrs. Miller) and another European. Going into the bedroom, he saw the dead body of a European lying on the double bed clothed in a vest. The body was doubled up; the bed clothes were disturbed; on the pillow was the impression of a head; under the bed were blood-stains; and the lamp at the side of the bed was on and covered with a handkerchief. The books on the table were not opened. By the bed was a small mat which had not been disturbed, and on the mat were a pair of slippers and a pair of shoes. The slippers were tidily by the shoes were lying in separate places.

The windows of the bedroom were closed and bolted except for a small opening. The atmosphere was very close. Witness examined the room and furniture and nothing seemed to have been disturbed except for a small drawer, which was slightly open and contained handkerchiefs. Everything in the room was in order. Witness found \$15 in a drawer on the dressing table.

Dagger Under Body.

Witness was present when Dr. Court examined the body. He saw Dr. Court lift up the body and picked up a dagger from underneath. The whole weight of the body was on the dagger.

In the front room witness found several articles of clothing including a pair of pyjamas on the floor in a heap. He noticed signs of a party having taken place. On a chair, he found a bundle of keys.

He later made inquiries and found that nothing had been stolen. Witness had seen all the employees of the N.A.A.F.I., who had either been discharged or resigned since deceased came to the Colony, except two who were in prison.

Questioned by Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., witness said the room was full of Chinese curios and there were two daggers in a cabinet. Inquiries made by the Police had not been successful as to whether the dagger found with the deceased belonged to him. It was definitely of a Chinese pattern and also were the ones inside the cabinet.

A reward of \$1,000 had been offered for information leading to the arrest of any person connected with the "murder."

Detective-Sergeant Pearson gave evidence of taking charge of the body and being present when it was identified.

Facts Very Unusual. Summing up, the Coroner said that the facts of the case were very unusual. In the first place, it was very unusual for a European to die in circumstances like these. Besides, there were unusual circumstances about the death. The deceased had a good position in the Colony; he had a flat of his own; he had no financial worries. He went to bed on the previous night apparently in quite good health and spirits. He had a party and was the life of it. He drank a little but was not drunk. The next morning he was found with a dagger in his body.

A doctor had given evidence as to whether the wound had been inflicted by the deceased himself or by somebody else, and had said it was very difficult for the wound to have been self-inflicted. There was no evidence to show that anybody was responsible for his death, but if anybody was, it was not for robbery as nothing had been taken from the flat.

If the jury was satisfied that the deceased had been killed as a result of a grudge, there was no struggle. Things were lying in the room just as they were when the deceased went to bed.

Although the deceased threw his things about in the front room, he left his valuables in the drawer in the dressing table, and apparently one of the last things he did was to take a handkerchief

RADIO
BROADCASTTO-DAY'S PROGRAMME OF
RECORDED MUSIC.

From Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres, 6.00-6.00 p.m. Chinese recorded programme. 6.00-8.00 p.m. Chinese Concert from the Studio. 8.00-12.00 midnight. European programme of Victor and H. M. V. records. 8.00 p.m. Local time and weather report, stock and mail, etc. 8.00-8.27 p.m. Daphnia et Chloee-Suite No. 2 (Maurice Ravel). Boston Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Serge Koussevitzky. 7143-7144.

8.27-9.15 p.m. Concert Items. Song-The Wren (Roder-Benallt). Marion Talley (Soprano). 1150. Piano Solo-Suggestion Diabolique, Op. 4, No. 4 (Prokofiev). Piano Solo-Concerto in E Minor (Medtner).

Song-The Sands O'Lee (Kingsley Clay). Song-Funchinello (Weatherly-Molloy).

Reinold Werrenrath (Baritone). 0385. Violin Solo-Tango (Elman). Violin Solo-Album Leaf (Wagner-Wilhelm).

Mischa Elman. 7195. Song-After Water (Burns). Song-Annie Laurie (Traditional). Mary Garden (Soprano). 1480. Violoncello Solo-Jocelyn-Berceaux (Godard).

Violoncello Solo-Evening Song (Schumann). Pablo Casals. 6630. Song-Two Grenadiers (Heine-Schumann).

Reinold Werrenrath (Baritone). 6503. Dance Programme. 9.15-12.00 midnight. (Unannounced). Fox Trot-The Hour of Parting. Fox Trot-That Little Boy of Mine. 22738.

Fox Trot-Never. Fox Trot-Without That Gall 22750. Fox Trot-Come to Me. 22751. Fox Trot-As Long as You're There. 22756.

Waltz-Girl of My Dreams. 21263. Waltz-Maria, Maria. Fox Trot-Heebie Jeebies. Fox Trot-Minnie, the Moon. 22763.

Fox Trot-There's No Other Girl. Fox Trot-I'm All Dressed Up with a Broken Heart. 22768. Fox Trot-My Moonlight Rosary. Waltz-Blue Kentucky Moon. 22820.

Fox Trot-Have a Heart. Fox Trot-To-night or Never. 22794. Fox Trot-I Can't Get Mississippi off my Mind. 22795.

Fox Trot-I Can't Write the words. 22796. Waltz-That Melody of Love. 21297. Waltz-Was it a Dream? 21297. Fox Trot-When You Press Your Lips to Mine. 22798.

Fox Trot-If I Have to Go on Without You. 22798. Fox Trot-It's a Long Time Between Kisses. Fox Trot-Love Letters in the Sand. 22799.

Fox Trot-Good-night, Sweetheart. Waltz-Close to Me. 22825. Fox Trot-Moonlight. Fox Trot-The Mystery Song. 22800.

Fox Trot-Let's Drift Away on Dreamer's Bay. Fox Trot-Now That I Need You, You're Gone. 22805. Fox Trot-How's Your Baby? Fox Trot-I Idolize my Baby's Eyes. 22803.

Waltz-I'm Just a Dancing Sweetheart. Waltz-The Kiss That You've Forgotten. 22796. Fox Trot-I Love to Hear a Military Band. 22822.

Fox Trot-Oh Mo'nah. Fox Trot-Beside an Open Fireplace. Fox Trot-Love Made a Gypsy Out of Me. 22284.

Fox Trot-I Don't Know Why. Fox Trot-Guilty. Waltz-The Same as We Used to Do. 22888.

Fox Trot-Mary Jane. Fox Trot-I'm Thru with Love. Fox Trot-You Don't Know What You're Doing. 22877.

Fox Trot-Sweepin' the Clouds Away. Fox Trot-Any Time's the Time to Fall in Love. 22340. Fox Trot-All I Want is Just One. Fox Trot-Dancing to Save Your Soul. 22384.

Waltz-One Kiss. Fox Trot-Softly, as in a Morning Sunrise. 21775. Fox Trot-Don't Tell the Rumba. Fox Trot-So Sweet. 22069.

Fox Trot-Deep Night. Fox Trot-Weary River. Waltz-Always. Waltz-Princess Flavin-Medley. 19955.

12.00 midnight. Close down. All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie and Co.

out of a drawer and put it over the lamp which was found on. There was no evidence as to who killed the deceased or that he had been killed by anybody. If he was killed by anyone, there was no motive.

A Letter From Shanghai. The Coroner had received a letter from Shanghai which might have a bearing on the case. It stated that Mr. Carstairs was recognised by his employers as a capable business man. He was sent down to Hongkong in 1920 to re-organise the local office which was not showing a satisfactory balance sheet. He held this position until his death. The letter stated that Mr. Carstairs was not very popular with the Chinese staff, partly because of

his temper and partly because of the methods he employed to achieve his goal in business. The Coroner explained that there were three verdicts at which the jury could arrive, (1) murder, (2) suicide, and (3) an open verdict. He cited a case the circumstances of which were very much similar to the one here. In that case, an open verdict was returned by the jury.

The Coroner also dealt with the

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ANNUAL PAST V. PRESENT
MATCH TO-MORROW.

The annual cricket match between
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University and the undergraduates
is to take place at Pokfulam to-
morrow, commencing at 10.30 a.m.
The teams to represent the two sides
have been selected and are as fol-
low:

Past.—A. A. Rumjahn (Capt.),
D. K. Suny, S. R. Korman, E. Zim-
merman, S. V. Gittins, J. L. Youngsaye,
A. H. Rumjahn, A. F. Gutierrez, A.
Baker, H. T. Barma and A. T. Barma.
Reserve: T. E. Yeoh.
Present.—A. T. Nomanbhoy
(Capt.), D. J. N. Anderson, A. T.
Lee, P. R. Zimmermann, E. L. Gosano, A.
M. Rodriguez, H. Nomanbhoy, K. P.
Gan, P. M. N. de Silva, G. E. Yeoh
and L. T. Ride. Reserves: A. A. Aziz
and D. Roy.

Saturday's Game.

The following will represent the
University 2nd XI on January 2,
against the South Wales Borderers in
a friendly match at Sookunpoos at 2
p.m., sharp: P. L. Tan, G. S. Scully,
D. Roy, R. E. G. Leong, C. E. R.
Chiribut, M. M. Yayahbhoy, B. K.
Ng and D. Hunt. Reserve: S. Tata.
Triangular Tourney.

In the annual Triangular Tourna-
ment among the Hongkong C.C., the
Royal Navy and the Army, the first
two named, who have already been
beaten by the Army, will meet on the
Hongkong C.C. ground to-morrow and
Saturday, commencing at 11 a.m. on
each day.

The Hongkong C.C. will be re-
presented by the following team: H. Owen
Hughes (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, A.
C. Beck, A. C. I. Bowker, E. R.
Duckitt, R. H. Griffiths, E. J. R.
Mitchell, E. B. Reed, J. E. Richard-
son, G. R. Sayer and R. M. Wood.
Reserve: H. K. C. C.

The following will represent the
Club de Recreio in their League Match
against the Hongkong Cricket Club
2nd XI, on Saturday, January 2,
1932, at King's Park, at 2 p.m. sharp:
H. A. Alves, Dr. A. P. Gutierrez, M. P.
Pinna, J. H. Figueiredo, L. Gutierrez,
A. P. Pereira, F. J. Remedios, G. A.
Gutierrez, A. Prata, F. H. Carvalho
and A. N. Othier.

The Hongkong C.C. second eleven
will be represented by the following:
R. S. W. Paterson (Capt.), R. B.
Davies, C. E. Gahagan, L. D. Kilbee,
P. W. J. Plummer, J. R. Ratten, W.
Stoker, J. R. Way, L. A. Whipp, A.
J. R. Wolf and J. M. Sunley.

PING-PONG.

LOCAL SCHOOL TEAM PLAY
MACAO.

The Ping Pong Team of the National
English Evening School re-
turned from Macao on Sunday by
Tai Shan. Of the seven matches
played, they won five.

The local team beat To Ying School
19-16; Lai Ying School 15-10; Hop
Chee A. A. 27-8; Tung Fong A. A.
19-16; Chin Woo A. A. 18-17; and
lost to Kiu Ying A. A. 14-21; Chun
Kiu A. A. 13-22.

HARD TIMES.

FAMOUS RACING CLUB
CLOSING DOWN.

London, Dec. 30.
The Beaufort Club in London, one
of the oldest racing clubs in England
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dwindling membership.
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orate wagers. Staggering sums
were wagered on horse races at the
once famous "call-over."—*Reuter.*

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY
STOCK EXCHANGE.

On this the last day of the year a
steady tone was observable at the
opening session this morning, there
being fair enquiries for investment
stocks.

Sales.

Wharves, \$154.
Star Ferries, \$30 3/4.
Watsons, \$17.
Ewon, \$16.
Douglases, \$25.
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Buyers.

Steamboats, \$24.
Providents (old), \$5 1/2.
Providents (new), \$2 1/2.
Chinese Estates, \$25.
Trams, \$22 1/2.
H.K. Electric, \$77 1/2.
Singapore Tractions, 3/-.
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Cements (old), \$12 1/2.
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TO-MORROW.

In connexion with the Charity Foot-
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the Civilian, to-morrow in aid of
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J. W. Sandilands and Sir Howard
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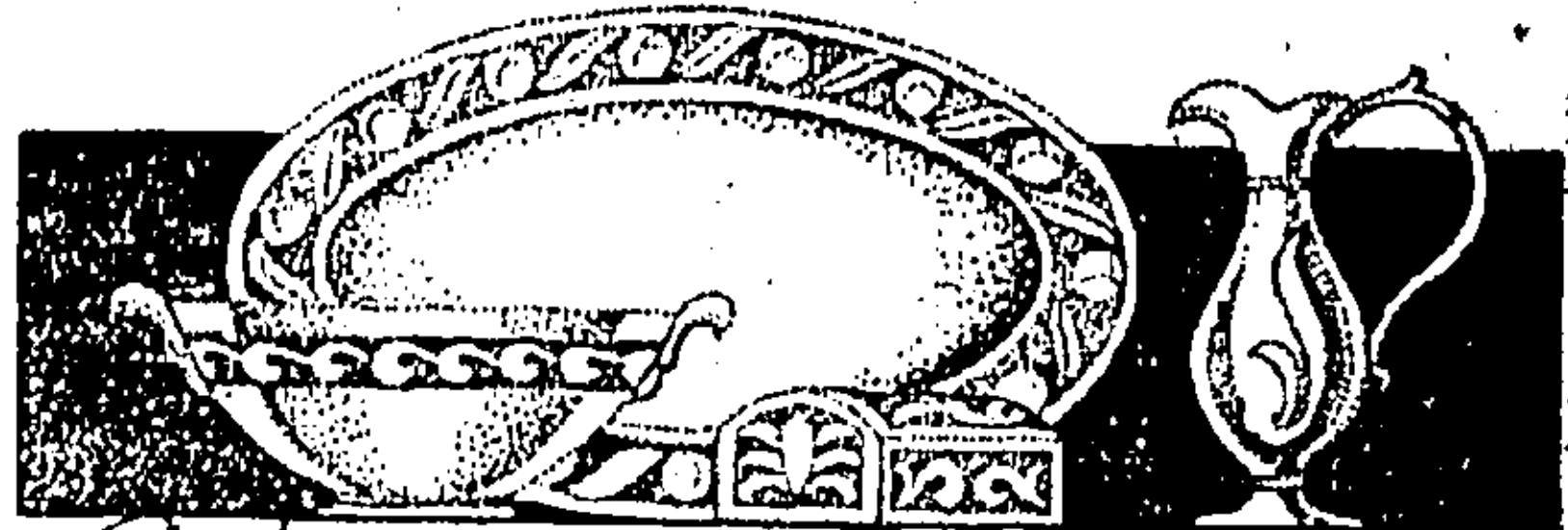
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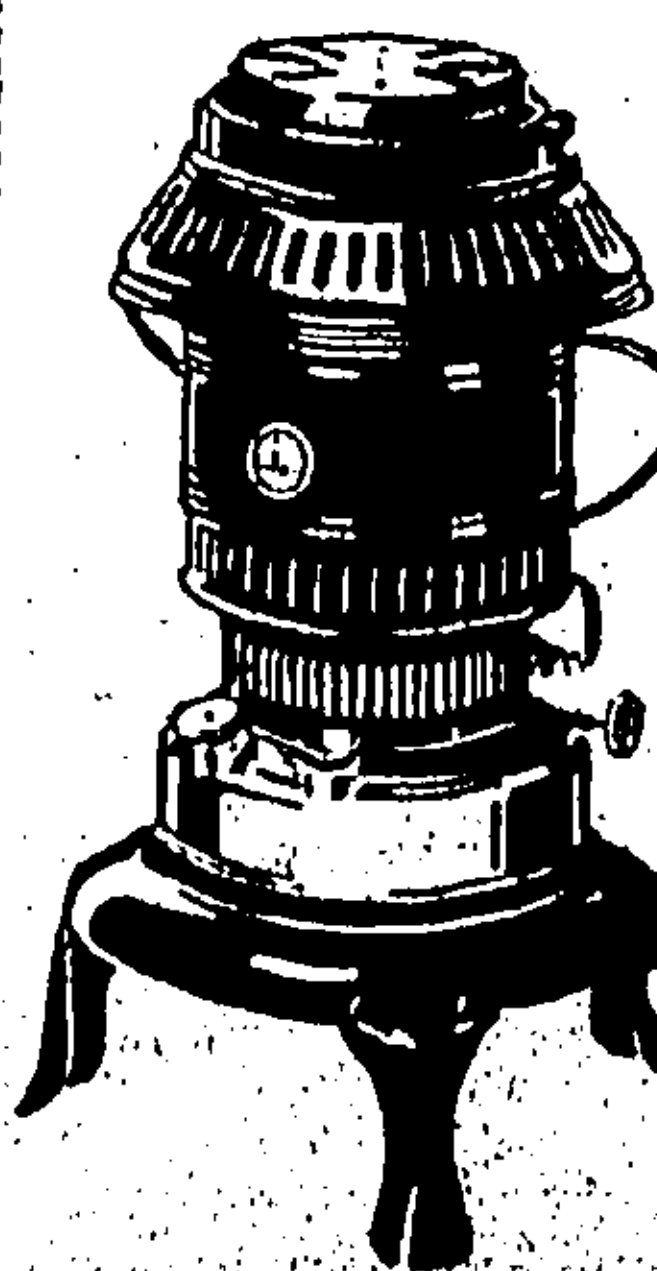
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"I couldn't pay for it, not on my weekly salary," Bowen conceded. "Well, it was just an idea. Maybe there's another way." He clung to it fondly, though. "That would get action. We haven't got all summer to fool with this. You're getting married pretty soon, aren't you?"

"Mary said, 'Heavens, I'd almost forgotten—I'm getting married to-morrow!'"

Bowen sat as if struck. Then "Good God," he burst out, anger and disappointment in his tone, "you can get married any time! This is important. We've only got a few days—hours—minutes, maybe. But hell—if you haven't got the nerve—"

Mary brought her small fist down on the table with a bang. "I've got the nerve for anything that will help get that man!" she cried. "If you'll promise to protect the necklace, I'll get it, somehow!"

A smile of surprise and gratification spread over his face. He looked pleased silly. "You will? Good girl! Then we're all set. It's a go!"

"It's a go," Mary repeated, and they shook hands.

A door opened at the rear of the room and footsteps approached. Bowen's eyes narrowed suddenly; his face became tense and set. Mary did not turn her head, but watched him with dilated eyes.

"All right, Barrymore," he muttered under his breath. "Now's your big moment. Here comes 'The Fly.' Let me see you do your stuff!"

(To be Continued.)

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London, Dec. 30.

The fall of a great meteor in Siberia in 1908 when the heat of the explosion set fire to the country around and devastated hundreds of square miles of forest land and destroyed vast herds of animals is recalled by the Press in connexion with the report that a giant meteor was seen in Lisbon on Monday night. The meteor is said to have passed over the city with a roar like an express train and to have lit up the country for miles around. It is believed to have fallen into the Atlantic. ... *Reuter.*

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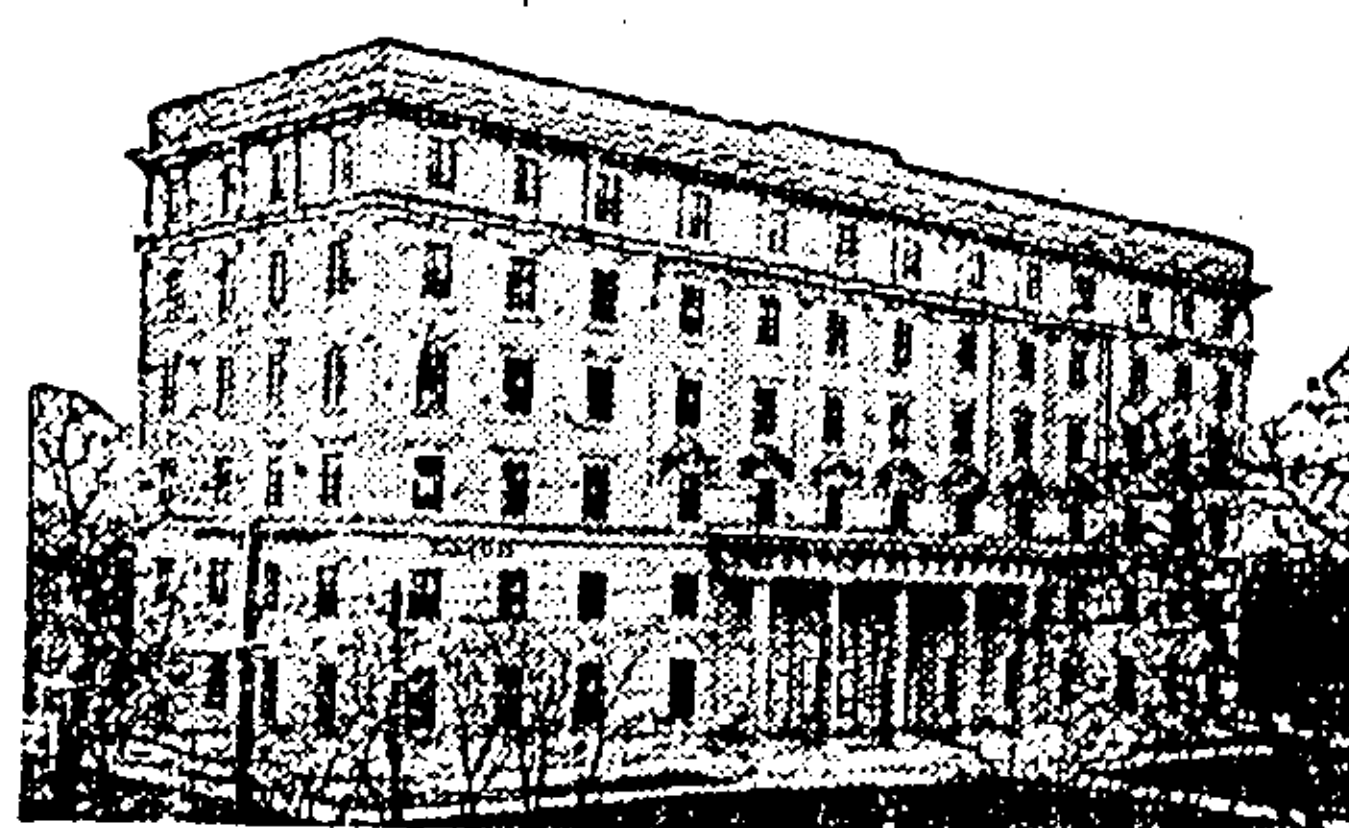
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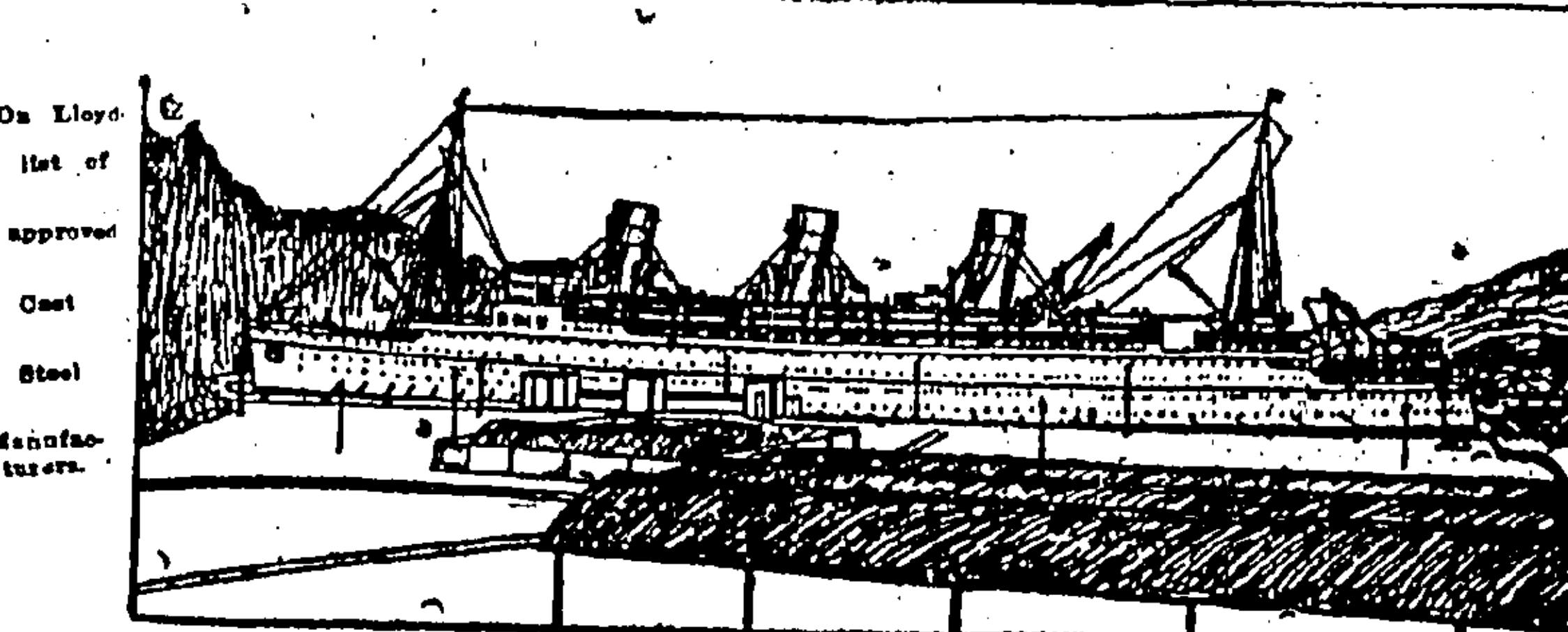
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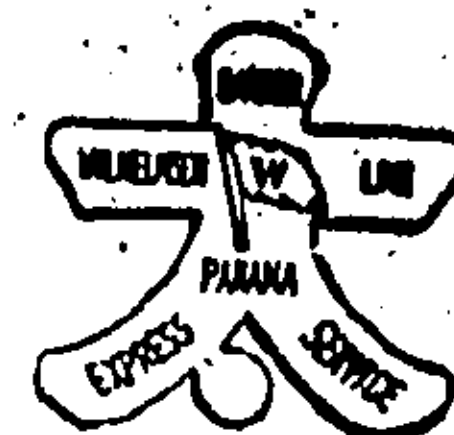


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CHINA'S ABSENT LEADERS.

BADLY NEEDED IN NANKING.

Nanking, Dec. 31. Leaders of the new Government assembled yesterday to discuss general policies, as well as the administration of the Central Political Council and the Central Executive Council.

Regret was expressed at the continued absence of Chiang Kai-shek, Wang Ching-wei and Hu Han-min. The meeting decided to send Mr. Shao Lei-tse to interview Chiang Kai-shek at Fenghua, Mr. Eugene Chen to see Mr. Wang Ching-wei and Mr. Li Wen-fan to see Mr. Hu Han-min, asking the three leaders to immediately return to Nanking.

Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, in the company of Marshal Li Chai-sum, interviewed Mr. Wang Ching-wei in hospital at Shanghai yesterday and discussed with him a recommendation made by the Kuomintang commanders in North-Western China for the mobilization of 300,000 Kuomintang and other forces in North China for the purpose of defending China Proper and sending an expedition to Chingchow to recover the lost territories in Fengtien and Manchukuo.

Marshal Feng is playing an important role as mediator and after visiting Fenghua to see Chiang Kai-shek he may go to Hongkong to interview Mr. Hu Han-min. —Reuter.

RECENT ATTACK ON MATRON.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY CHARGE.

A charge of highway robbery and, alternatively, of receiving stolen property, were substituted by Inspector Shai-tai, before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning, against the Chinese arrested in connexion with the attack made upon Miss E. St. Quintin, of the Military Hospital.

The defendant was originally charged with assault with intent to rob and with larceny from the person.

His Worship remanded the defendant until Tuesday afternoon, when the hearing will commence.

Capt. E. Holmes, master of the s.s. Lynceum, reported at the Harbour Office yesterday, on the arrival of his vessel from Hoihow, that two Chinese passengers had died at sea from chronic phthisis. Capt. R. W. Hocking, master of the s.s. Talma, which arrived in port yesterday from Singapore, reported the death of two Chinese deck passengers from consumption and hyperphrexia.

CANADA'S G.O.M. OF POLITICS.

DEATH OF SIR GEORGE FOSTER.

EMPIRE PREFERENCE PROTAGONIST.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.

The death has occurred of Sir George Eulas Foster, the well-known Canadian statesman, at the advanced age of 84 years. Sir George was born at Carleton, New Brunswick in 1847 and after a brilliant career at New Brunswick University and at Edinburgh and Heidelberg he returned to Canada where he became a schoolmaster and later Professor of Classics at his old university from 1872 to 1879. Then until 1901 he



Sir George Foster, the Canadian statesman, whose death is reported to day.

was vice-president and general manager of the Union Trust Co. Entering the Dominion House of Commons in 1882, he had sat in it practically ever since.

In 1885, he became Minister of Marine and Fisheries in the Macdonald Cabinet and in 1888 Finance Minister. He resigned from the Bowell Government in 1896, but withdrew his resignation when Sir C. Tupper became Premier soon afterwards.

From 1911 to 1921 he was Minister of Trade, first in the Borden and then in the Union Cabinet. As Minister of Marine, he prepared the Canadian case for the joint commission on deep sea fisheries which sat at Washington in 1888 and led to the Chamberlain-Rayard treaty. It was he who in 1891 moved for the appointment of a Royal Commission on the liquor traffic, and in 1895 he supported the resolution for the extension of the Canadian franchise to women.

Brilliant Debater. A brilliant debater and a strong believer in protection for Canada and in preferential trade within the Empire, he made a series of speeches on these questions in

EXPLOITING A CRIPPLE.

BEGGAR ATTRACTS BIG CROWD.

Attracted by a large crowd which filled the street, fronting Queen's Theatre yesterday, a European Police Sergeant discovered the object of interest to be a horribly crippled man grovelling on the ground. With his legs twisted over his head as he went through grotesque contortions and with froth issuing from the mouth, the man presented a pitiable sight.

The situation called for quick action, but as a chair was being brought up by the Sergeant for the conveyance of the poor man to the Central Police Station, an elderly Chinese darted round a pillar, where he had previously remained in obscurity, and, holding the cripple on to his back, quickly made off. However, he was caught by the sergeant and made to take the cripple to the Police Station, with the Sergeant as an escort.

Before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning, the elderly man was fined \$7, or ten days' hard labour, on a charge of begging. A profitable partnership is now to be severed. He is to be separated from his crippled partner, who is to be placed in a charitable institution.

NEW BRIGHTON GET TWO POINTS.

SECOND WIN IN 20 MATCHES.

London, Dec. 30.

In the Third Division (North) to-day, New Brighton, at present wooden-spoonists, defeated Stockport County by two goals to one. It was New Brighton's second victory in twenty games. —Reuter.

Great Britain in 1903 at the invitation of Mr. Chamberlain. He was Canadian representative on the Dominions Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the trade and resources of the Empire, and in 1913 visited Australia and New Zealand in connexion with this investigation.

In 1916 he was one of the four British delegates to the Allied Economic Conference in Paris. He had been knighted in 1914 and in 1918 he was made a G.C.M.G. Canada's representative at the Peace Conference, he headed the delegation of that Dominion to the first Assembly of the League at Geneva and was elected a vice-president. Thanks to his devotion to outdoor exercise, boating, fishing, cycling and gardening, Sir George was to the last remarkably keen and vigorous for his age. In 1926, when he was 79, he took a very prominent part in the League debates. His second wife, whom he married at Geneva in 1920, is a daughter of Sir Wm. Allan, M.P. —Reuter and I.B.S.

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Buyers at above prices, sellers asking 1/4d-1/2d more. Markets closed firm. All markets will be closed Friday and Saturday.

New York Terminals.

March 1932 1.18 no change.
May 1932 1.18 up 1 pt.
July 1932 1.23 down 1 pt.
September 1932 1.20 up 1 pt.
December 1932 1.30 up 1 pt.
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